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135.

15.3.48. S.B. report re. arrival of KENDALL at Southampton.

135a.

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5.3.48. From S.I.S. in reply to 125a,

136a.

137. Trans. to PF. 126,588 p/R7 16/2/50
~~6.4.48. S.B. report re arrival in the U.K. of Johannes Marinus SMITS.~~ 137x

7.4.48 To S.I.S. in acknowledgement of 136a.

137a

138.

7.4.48 To C.C. Lines. conveying information at 136a.

138a

139.

10.4.48. Letter from C.C. Lincoln re. 138a

139a

140.

Trans. to PF. 126,588 p/R7 SMITS 16/2/50.
~~12.4.48. S.B. London Airport re. departure of KENDALL for Amsterdam.~~ 140a

141.

3.5.48. To Dutch Security requesting information about SMITS

141a

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123.

S.L.B. Mr B.A. Hill.

I think you will be interested in C.C. Lincoln's report at 122a, on the subject of W. Denis KENDALL's implication in gun-running.

We have had recent information (source TABLE) which shows that KENDALL has been in touch with Leo BELLA (subject of PF. 69049), and is believed to have offered the latter the use of his yawl for the purpose of shipping arms to Palestine. It is also known from the same source that BELLA has lately been endeavouring to travel to Paris. It is believed that the purpose of his intended visit was to negotiate for arms in France.

The arms which BELLA wishes to acquire are for the IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI. He considers that the Irgun needs independent supplies, since no agreement has yet been reached between the Irgun and HAGANA.

I should be grateful if you would return this file to me with your comments, in order that we may reply to the Chief Constable's letter.

B.3.a.
31.1.48

J.C. Robertson
J.C. Robertson.

124.

4.2.48

To C.C. Lincolnshire in acknowledgement of 122a.

124a

125.

5.2.58

To S.I.S. for enquiries to be made regarding Dr. IMFELD.

125a

126.

B.3.a., Mr. J.C. Robertson.

We spoke as to Minute 123. In this respect please see my letter to the C.C. Lincoln at serial 124a and my letter to Roberts at serial 125a.

S.L.B.
5.2.48.

B.A. Hill
B.A. Hill.

[P.T. Over.]

127

7.2.48. From C.C. Lincoln re Denis KENDALL. acknowledging 124a. 127a

128.

12.2.48 To C.C. Lincoln in acknowledgement of 127a. 128a

129.

12.2.48 To New Scotland Yard, forwarding copy report at 122a. 129a

130

18.2.48. From New Scotland Yard enclosing copies of reports relating to the movements of W.Denis KENDALL and some of his associates. 130a

131.

23.2.48 To Special Branch in acknowledgement of 130a. 131a

24.2.48 From C.C. Linconshire re wreck of M.Y. Aarla and mentioning D. KENDALL In connection with gun-running. Also FANE Brothers. 131b.

132.

25.2.48 From I.P.I. with extract of report from D.I.B. INDIA re KENDALL. 132a

133.

27.2.48 To I.P.I. in acknowledgement of 132a. 133a

~~1.3.48. From S.B. with report on J.M. SMITHS. 134a~~ ¹³⁴ *Trans. to PF. 126, 588 B/27 16/2/50.* ~~134b~~

5.3.48 S.I.S. enquiry form concerning George HURST. 134a

10.3.48 To C.C. Lincs. in acknowledgment of 131b. 134b.

13.3.48 From C.C. Lincs in reply to 134b. 134c.

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115.

B.4.E., Mr. Poston. *B.4.E.*

Please see the statement enclosed with Mr. D.N. Pritt's letter at 110a and the further letter from Mr. Pritt at 113a.

You will see that I am interested in the 72 ft. ex-Admiralty motor launch now named "Tao Tien" which, it is alleged, has been registered at Lloyd's Registry not as a British ship but as a ship sailing under the Dutch flag. The yacht left Oulton Broad on the 15th August, presumably for Rotterdam; can you ascertain from Lloyds the movements of the "Tao Tien" from 15th August to date?

*B. A. Hill*S.L.B.

B.A. Hill.

29.8.47.

2.9.47

To Assistant Commissioner in acknowledgement of 114b.

115b

2.9.47

To Mr. PRITT conveying gist of letter at 115b.

115c

2.9.47

From I.P.I. referring to information contained in note at 109a.

115d

S.L.B. (Mr. B.A. Hill) 116.

All I have been able to ascertain is that the TAO TIEN arrived at Amsterdam on the 18th August and left the same day, giving no destination. I have asked my contact at Lloyds to let me know if this vessel comes to their notice, with particular reference to their agent at Port Said, in case she has actually started for India or goes there later.

Unfortunately the movements of this vessel would not ordinarily be reported owing to her size and type, and, in this connection, I am informed by Lloyds Register of Shipping that they have no record of her on their books. I understand that such vessels do not in fact qualify for the standard required for Lloyds classification.

*Guy Poston.*B.4.E.

8.9.47.

117.

8.9.47

To I.P.I. in reply to 115b.

117z

10.9.47.

To Scotland Yard re D. KENDALL, M.P. and the Tao Tien.

117a.

118.

19.9.47.

Note of conversation with Mr. Howe, Scotland Yard.

118a

[P.T. Over.]

119.

NOTE:

I spoke to Bamford of I.P.I. on 15.9.47 and gave him the substance of my conversation with Howe. I told him that it would be of interest to know who KENDALL contacted in India, but that I left it to him to decide whether or not any such enquiries could safely be made. Bamford said that he would send a signal to Bourne, S.L.O. India.

B. A. Hill

S.L.B.
19.9.47.

B.A. Hill.

120.

24.10.47

From I.P.I. with extract from Indian newspaper with story of arms deals between Nawanagar and a British M.P.

120a

121.

10.11.47

From I.P.I. in continuation of 120a, attaching copy of a despatch N. 46/245/47 (with enclosure) dated 20th October 1947 from the office of the High Commissioner for U.K., Karachi to the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations.

121a.

122.

27.1.48.

From C.C. Lincolnshire re suspected gun-running.

122a.

~~122.~~~~30.1.48.~~~~To M. I. 6 gave letter from C.C. Lincolnshire at 122a.~~~~123a.~~

MINUTE SHEET.

Reference PF 51390. vol 2.

41.

10.3.42.

Report re W.Denis KENDALL.

41a.

42.

13.3.42.

Report from Capt. Finney re W. Denis KENDALL.

42a.

43.

15.3.42.

From R.O.Nottingham re Denis KENDALL.

43a.

44.

16.3.42.

From R.O.Nottingham (dated 14.3.42.) enclosing report
C.C.Sleaford. re Denis KENDALL.

44a.

45.

16.3.42.

Cutting from "Reveille" re W.Denis KENDALL.

45a.

46.

17.3.42.

Report re KENDALL.

46a.

47.

18.3.42.

Note from D.3.b.on visit to M.A.P. re indiscretions of
D.KENDALL.

47a.

48.

19.3.42.

Note from D.3.d. re Denis KENDALL.

48a.

49.

29.4.42.

From S.C.O. Newcastle re article in Picture Post on
W.D.KENDALL and enclosing copy of Picture Post.

49a.

17.8.42.

Letter to D. of I.(S).

49b.

17.8.42.

Letter to P.S.5.

49c.

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50.

- 18.6.42. Note by Mr. Craufurd on BRITISH MANUFACTURING & RESEARCH Co. 50a.
- 26.7.42. Photostat of letter from Mr Marlow to Meinel, W.J. 50ab.
 Photostat of letter from Mr Marlow to Meinel, W.J. AC filed 11.10.42.
- 29.7.42. Extract from The Times re alleged breach of privilege in Parliament. 50b

51.

- 29.7.42. Interview of Mr. and Mrs. WHITE re L. and M. BORGER by Capt. Atkinson. 51x.
- 30.7.42. From R.O. Nottingham sending Grantham Police report on Leo and Milada BORGER. 51a.

52.

- 31.7.42. Note of a visit to R.D. Arm.9. M.A.P. on 25.7.42. 52a.

53.

- 10.8.42. Photostat of letter to Meinel, J mentioning KANDALL, W.D. 53z.
Filed 12.10.42.
- 15.8.42. Letter from R.O. asking for reply re BORGERS. 53a
- 17.8.42. Extract from the Times re People's Movement being dissolved. 53ab

D.3.b. (copy of min.103 in SF 53/8/19(1035)
 To see letters to Air Ministry and M.A.P.(encls.
 101a and 102a)

I think it would be wise to put the Firm and Kendall on the Censorship check list for a month or six weeks. Will you arrange to have this done?

D.3. J.O. Archer (signed)
 18.8.42.

- 19.8.42. Note that KENDAL & Brit MARC have been put on Censorship Stop List 53b
- 19.8.42. Extract from S.B. Report (Filed 12.10.42.) 53c
- 21.8.42. To R.O. Nottingham in reply to 53a 54a
- 8.2. Note by D.3.b. on Kendall's employment of BORGERS 55a

56.

D. (C. & D.) Through D.D.E.

To see 57a. I have flagged the various papers bearing on the case. It seems to me likely to cause a considerable disturbance, and I should be grateful for a view as to whether you think the case is strong enough to refer to M.A.P. I myself feel it would be unfair to leave matters as they are.

I am marking through D.D.E. as his predecessor agreed to Mrs. BORGERS employment, (Enclosures 14b and 15a of L.312/840 Vol. 2.) possibly unaware that the Firm was of great interest to D.3. though a look up should of course have shown this.

D.3.
 29.8.42.

J.O. Archer.

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57.

29.8.42.

Draft letter to M.A.P. re KENDALL employing the BORGERS.

57a.

58.

D(2-3)

I am sorry that this question was not referred to D3 on the previous occasion -

I do not consider that there is any actual danger to security here. The Borgers would obviously be allowed to take employment of any kind which is available to enemy aliens - e.g. in P.W.E. or other confidential jobs - He is an Austrian Jew who has been in Nazi concentration camps, and she is of Czech origin - would therefore be rated as an allied alien but for marriage to her husband.

I quite see that her position may cause comment among those who feel a general suspicion of all enemy aliens - it may be bad for morale to have her in this job. I think however we should have much stronger evidence than the biased testimony of the Whites on this point.

In my view it would be difficult to tackle M.A.P. now unless one was asking them to rule that persons on secret work must never employ an enemy alien. I consider this individual case a pretty weak one to argue. I do not of course profess to have your detailed knowledge of the attitude of M.A.P. in such matters.

DDZ

1.9.42

K. G. Young

59.

D3.

It would I feel be a lapse of duty to do nothing.

At the end of 57A you invite Abraham of NAP to discuss the subject before any action is taken.

I would suggest that you discuss before sending any letter: see what the attitude of NAP is & then speak to me. *W. T. Over* $\frac{3}{9}$

9.9.42. Extract from letter from M.E.W. re KENDALL and others. 60x
 11.9.42. D.3. note re conversation with Mr. Abraham of M.A.P. 60a.
 about employment of BORGERS.

61.

11.9.42. From R.O. Nottingham re re two enemy aliens being employed by KENDALL. 61a
 11.9.42. Press cutting from the News Chronicle "The f.s.d. of Mr. KENDALL's
 Gun Firm" Filed 12.10.42. 61b.

62.

18.9.42. To R.O. Nottingham in reply to 61a. 62a

63.

26.9.42. Letter from R.O. informing us that BORGERS have left KENDALL's house. 63a.

64.

2.10.42. Letter to M.A.P. passing on information at 63a. 64a.

65.

D.(C & D).A Most satisfactory solution. *JWA* $\frac{3}{x}$

With reference to your minute 59 please see the letter from
 R.S.L.O. Nottingham at enclosure 63a. I have informed Mr. Abraham
 accordingly.

Sullivan

(D.3.b.)
 22.10.42 (2.10.42.) Photostat intercept KENDALL to WEBER de VERE. 65a
 24.10.42. Extract from Manchester Police Report re KENDALL, Meeting held by Major
 H. Foot. 65b

BH (Major Whyte)

66

We spoke. Can instruction to S.C.O. be
 cancelled? If you should wish it to
 be maintained are there any modifications?

DHC 3 Nov 42.

Alfred Noble

67

B.4b (Mr. Craufurd)

As you have been dealing with this case,
 perhaps you would like to give a decision on
 the question raised in Minute 66.

B.4
7.11.42

MINUTE SHEET.

Reference.....

68.

D.4.c.*D.4.c. 20.11*

The instructions to S.C.Os at 11a may be cancelled. Kendall is likely to be going to Spain to see Marc BIRKIGT probably in company with T.S. Overy of Allen and Overy, Solicitors of 3 Finch Lane, E.C.3. We have agreed that we will not take objection to the grant of permits to these people, but I should like their permits referred to me in order that the desirability of a search may be considered.

~~Perhaps this could be put before Colonel Adam.~~

B.4.b.

11.11.42.

J.G. Craufurd
J.G. Craufurd.

69

12.Nov.42. to S.C.Os cancelling circular re KENDALL at 11a.

69a

70

17.Nov.42. To S.C.Os cancelling circular re KENDALL at 17a

70a

71

B.4.b. 22/11

*I have put W.D. Kendall & T.S. Overy on
T.O.P.O. stop list.*

D.4.a

20.11.42

J.P. Butler

72.

4.12.42.

To R.O. Birmingham re KENDALL's membership of the B.N.P.

72a

9-12-42.

Extract from letter from R.O. Nottingham mentioning W.D. KENDALL.

72b.

73.

10.12.42.

To R.O. NOTTINGHAM re KENDALL and the British National Party.

73a

74.

10.2.43.

To A.D.N.I. re applicant to the WRENS of Lady Ursula Manners.
Filed in error.

74a.

74.

B.4.b. Mr. Craufurd.

You will see from the copies of the letters filed at 72a and 73a that I am interested in the line of W.D. KENDALL's political activities so far as it impinges on Fascist or pro-German circles. The letter from Finney to which my second letter refers does not add anything to what we already know about KENDALL and I am not therefore troubling to cross refer it to this file.

F.3.B.1.
10.12.42.

T.M. Shelford
T.M. Shelford.

75

F.3.B.1.

W.D. KENDALL will probably be shortly going to Spain to see Marc BIRKIGT with the approval of M.E.W. and M.A.P. Do you want to see his application when it comes or is there no objection from your point of view?

J.G. Craufurd
J.G. Craufurd.

B.4.b
11.12.42.

76.

B.4.b.

I do not think that the interest of this section in W.D. KENDALL is sufficient to cause us to object to his proposed visit to Spain. From our point of view we shall not, therefore, want to see his application.

F.3.b.2.
15.12.42.

T.M. Shelford
T.M. Shelford.

77.

17-12-42. Int. letter from Frank ARBON to Clifford WOODLAND mentioning KENDALL

77a

78.

10.2.43. To A.D.N.I. re application to the WRENS of Lady Ursula Manners.

78a.

79

10.2.43. Photostat copy of int. letter from Denis KENDALL to W. DRUMMOND.

79a.

21.3.43. Note of wire seen in Mr KENDALL's office

80a

3.4.43. Note from B.3.d. enclosing copy of cable received from Switzerland.

81a

MINUTE SHEET.Reference PF.51390.82(copy of min 113 in SF 53/8/19
(1035)D.4.

Reference telegram mentioned at 111a and consul's telegram at 112a, would it be possible for you to produce relevant visa papers to see how, why and when Mrs KENDALL travelled to Switzerland.

D.3.b.
7.4.43.S.M.Mackay
(signed)83(copy of min.114 in SF 53/8/19
(1035)D.3.b.

Mrs KENDALL, the wife of W.D. KENDALL M.P., full name is Virginia Tracy KENDALL, born Ohio, 5.7.12. This lady applied for an exit permit for U.S.A. in July 1941 and was refused, Mrs KENDALL is still apparently in the U.K.

D.4.a.
15.4.43.G.E. Burten
(signed)84(copy of min 115 in SF 53/8/19
(1035)B.4.b. (Mr Noble)

D.3.b. ask us for the best contact in the Foreign Office to make an enquiry of the Consul in Geneva as to the identity of the Mrs KENDALL referred to in 112a, and with their consent I am minuting the file to you as you were interested in KENDALL's Company and have the best contacts for this sort of enquiry. It does seem to be desirable to establish the identity of the lady in Switzerland.

Secretariat
21.4.43.S.H.E. Burley
(signed)

85

23.4.43.

Copy of letter to Foreign Office re KENDALL.

85a

86.

21.6.43.

Extract from weekly press section meeting.

86a.

87.

20.6.43.

Extract from press cutting from Daily Worker mentioning KENDALL.

87a.

88.

10.43.

Exit Permit Application & papers for William Denis KENDALL.

88a.

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89.

30.10.43. Int. letter from JACKSON to FANE.

89a

90.

5.11.43. Note of tel. call from F. & P.O. Office re KENDALL's application to go abroad.

90a

91.

7.11.43. To R.O. Nottingham re letter at 89a.

91a

92.

9.11.43. Copy of int: letter from Denis KENDALL to WILKINSON. Sent to R.O. Nottingham.

92a

93.

23.12.43. Photostat copy of int. letter from Denis KENDALL to E. GODFREY.

93a.

94

6.1.44. Extract from Tel: Check on TEMple Bar 9797, mentioning KENDALL. Filed 4.2.44.

94z

23.1.44. Copy of letter from KENDALL to SCRUTTON

94a

95.

13.9.44. Exit Permit Application for William KENDALL.

95a.

96.

B.4.B.

Please see Exit Permit Application at 95a for William KENDALL.

May we please have your Urgent observations?

D.4.A.1.
13.9.44.

97.

D.4.a.1.

The ~~story~~ and not very satisfactory Member of Parliament is said to boast that he can get his own way in everything. I do not think that in the present instance we can put this boast to the test, since we have not got enough to advise the refusal of a permit. He should have D.O.T. support, he will no doubt have no difficulty in obtaining this.

B.4.b.
14.9.44.

J.G. Craufurd
J.G. Craufurd.

MINUTE SHEET.

Reference.....

98.

25.11.44. Extract from D.4.c. Daily Summary re KENDALL's visit to Clyde. 98a.

99.

29.11.44. Report from S.C.O. Glasgow on KENDALL's visit to Clyde. 99a.

100.

15.12.44. To S.C.O. Glasgow in reply to 99a. 100a.

101.

19.12.44. Various minutes re KENDALL's visit to Clyde. 101a.

27.7.45. Extract from "The Times" re General Election Results, for Grantham. 101b.

102.

R.3.Y. - Miss Hemelryk.

The greater part of this file concerns activities of KENDALL's which are not the concern of F.3, but he has shown some interest in Fascist movements and it is quite possible that his interest might develop in the future. On F.3 grounds, therefore, I should like this file retained. Would you please Y-box it?

F.3.
17.9.45.

G.R. Mitchell.
G.R. Mitchell.

103.

26.10.45. Vetting enquiry from the Air Ministry regarding KENDALL. 103a.

104.

18.1.46. Note re P.&P.O. Stop List, names of William KENDALL and Thomas OVERY removed. 104a.

105.

15.5.47. B.1.z. note re KENDALL. 105a

106.

31.5.47. Note from B.4.d. enclosing Somerset House particulars re Grantham Traders Ltd. 106a.

107.

12.6.47. Cross-reference from Daily Graphic cutting re People's Car factory. 107a.

108.

30.6.47. Result of B.P.P. telephone checks re KENDALL. 108a.

109.

15.8.47 Note of interview with MR. D.N. PRITT, M.P. re KENDALL. 109a

110.

22.8.47. From Mr. D.N. PRITT re KENDALL, enclosing statement by a man in Oulton Broad. 110a

111.

26.8.47 To Assistant Commissioner, New Scotland Yard, passing on the information given at 109a and 110a. 111a

112.

26.8.47 To Mr. D.N. PRITT in acknowledgement of 110a. 112a

113.

26.8.47 From Mr. Pritt further to 110a. 113a

114.

29.8.47 To Mr. Pritt in acknowledgement of 113a. 114a

29.8.47. From Assistant Commissioner in reply to letter at 111a. 114b

MINUTE SHEET.Reference P.E. 51390.

27.

30.6.41.

27a
11/7/41.

12.7.41.

Censor's comment on intercepted letter from Mrs. TRACY to Mrs. KENDALL.
 From R.S.L.O. Nottingham, attaching copy of report of interview with Mrs KENDALL, re KENDALL, W.D. 27x
 27a.

Provisional copy of letter from R.S.L.O. Nottingham re BETT MARC 27b

28

D.3.b. Mr. Mackay.

Please see 27a. I am going to Nottingham for a week next Sunday, and perhaps I could pass your views on to Haylor if you care to speak about the case.

J.E. Badeley

B.10.a.
15.7.41.

J.E. Badeley.

29.

B.15. (Mr. Crauford).

In view of your other enquiries into MARCO, you might also care to see 27a, (which does not seem to get us much further) before Badeley visits Haylor.

May I have your comments, please?

D.3.b.
16.7.41.

S. Mackay

30.

19.7.41

17.7.41

From R.S.L.O. Police report re KENDALL and HURST.

30a.

31.

23.7.41.

From R.S.L.O. Police report on Lord BROWNLOW.

31a.

23.7.41.

Copy of letter to R.S.L.O. Nottingham re BETT MARC 31b

32.

28.7.41.

From R.S.L.O. Nottingham. Police Report re BROWNLOW.

32a.

33.

D.3.b. Mr Mackay.

Thanks - Met with interest. S. Mackay

You may care to see the latest reports at 28a and 29a regarding the differences between KENDALL and Lord BROWNLOW.

D3b.
12.8.41B.4.a.
8.8.41.

J.E. Badeley.

34.

10.10.41. Photostat copies of letters written to KENDALL from Barcelona mentioning Lord Brownlow.

34a

35.

Undated. Photostat copy of letter written from S.E.M. Hispano-Suiza to Mr. KENDALL.

35a

36.

31.10.41. Photostat copy of letter from the Foreign Office enclosing letters mentioned in 34a and 35a. also mentioning a quarrel between Lord Brownlow and KENDALL.

36a

6.11.41. Photostat copy of int. letter from Basle to PEAK, Manchester re business conditions in Switzerland.

36b

37.

7.11.41. Internal Memorandum from D.I. to B.3a attaching Censor's Comment on int. letter from "Dorothy" to Canada re happenings at a factory.

37x

10.11.41. To R.O. Nottingham attaching Censor's comment slip.

y

15.11.41. Photostat copy of letter written in answer to 36a mentioning KENDALL.

37a

38.

15.11.41. From R.O. Nottingham in reply to 37y and enclosing Grantham Police report on "Dorothy", writer of int. letter as at 37x.

38a

39.

4.2.42. Copy of letter to the Foreign Office re int. letter from Marc Birkigt to DENIS KENDAL.

39a

40.

8.2.42. Copy of minute 58 in P.F. 30998 re Hispano -Suiza organization.

40a

All communications to be addressed to The Chief Constable of Lincolnshire, Lincoln

139a



COUNTY CONSTABULARY

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LINCOLN

SECRET.

9th April, 1948.

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ABJ

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26/.04/10(SB.20)

Your Ref: PF.51390/SLB.

Dear Sir Percy,

I write to acknowledge, with thanks, your letter of the 7th April, 1948, under the above reference.

The information you give is most interesting, and I shall be very pleased to pass on any further knowledge which may come to hand on the subject.

Yours sincerely,

Arthur Jones

811 Sir Percy Sillitoe, C.B.E., D.L.

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TC..... *Inc B* ✓

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Held RS

S E C R E T

138a

7th April, 1948.

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Dear Mr. Fooks,

Further to our previous correspondence under the above reference numbers, from enquiries we have made we have confirmed that Mr. W. Denis KENDALL, M.P. did in fact visit Dr. E.W. IMFELD of Neumuhlquai 44, Zurich 6, Switzerland, as suggested in your report of the 25th January.

Dr. IMFELD is described as a quiet Jew who sometimes visits the United Kingdom on business. He is stated to have turned down Mr. KENDALL's proposal.

It is believed, however, that Mr. KENDALL approached other intermediaries in Switzerland with a view to arranging arms transactions. Any information you may in future be able to obtain concerning any arms dealings by Mr. KENDALL or his associates in Grantham will be of interest to me.

Yours sincerely,

B. A. Thist

do Sir Percy Sillitoe.

R.H. Fooks, Esq., M.A.,
Chief Constable,
Lincolnshire County Constabulary,
Headquarters, LINCOLN.

BAH/MKM

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7.4.48

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Ref: PF.51330/SLB
Yr.ref:

7th April, 1948.

Many thanks for your letter of the 23rd March.

I am indeed interested to hear that Mr. Denis KENDALL did in fact approach Dr. E.W. IMFIELD.

I think it is probably true that KENDALL is in a bad way financially and is hoping to recoup himself by arms dealings. If, as a result of the enquiries you are making, you obtain any further information concerning KENDALL's arms transactions in Switzerland, I shall be very interested to have it.

Yours sincerely,

B.A. Hill.

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dated 23rd March, 1948.

My dear

Hill.

Your letter PF51390/Y/SLB of 5th February, 1948.

I regret my delay in replying, but
have been in progress.

It is quite true that Mr. Denis Kendall approached the gentleman you mentioned, who sometimes visits the United Kingdom on business. The latter states that he turned the suggestion down. He thinks, however, that Kendall is in a bad way financially and hopes to recoup himself by arms dealing. He believes that Kendall has now approached other intermediaries

No details, however, are as yet available, but further enquiries are being made.

Yours

Sincerely,
Dempster

B.A.Hill Esq.,
M.I.5.

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25 MAR 1948

TO.....

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PORT OF SOUTHAMPTON.
METROPOLITAN POLICE (Special Branch)

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SPECIAL REPORT.

11th day of March 1948

SUBJECT

With reference to Superintendent's Circulation
No: 113(1) :-

William D.

KENDALL, MP.

REFERENCE TO
PAPERS.

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ENCL.....

15 MAR 1948

TO.....

REF. PF 51390

Held Rs.

M.P.-35773/15,000
Nov./1947 0135

Submitted,

Leslie Garrett
Sergeant.

Gordon B. Brown
Inspector.

for SUPERINTENDENT.

15.3.

15/5/48



COUNTY CONSTABULARY

HEADQUARTERS

MGW.

LINCOLN

Telephone 8173

CONFIDENTIAL

12th March 1948.

Dear Kirby Green

Many thanks for your letter, S.L.B./
P.L., dated the 10th March 1948, on
the subject of the loss of the M.Y. Aarla.
I should be very interested to learn, in
due course, the final result of the
enquiry.

I am looking forward to seeing you
in this neighbourhood some time during
the year, and I hope that you will let
me know your movements in good time, so
that there may be no risk of my missing
you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. P.M. Kirby Green.

ENCL

at

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TO

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SLB/PHG
18.5.48

CONFIDENTIAL

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Ref: PF.51390/S.L.B.

10th March, 1948.

bringing letter at
131b.

It was very nice of you to call in the other day, and I am much looking forward to accepting your kind invitation to come and see you on your own ground as soon as I have the opportunity.

I made enquiries in regard to the loss of M.Y. Aarla and I am sorry to say that at the moment there appears to be no conclusive evidence one way or the other as to whether or not this ship was, in fact, being used for "gun-running" at the time she blew up. I will of course let you know at once if I have any definite information.

Yours sincerely,

P. Kirby Green.

R.H. Fooks, Esq., M.A.
Chief Constable,
Lincolnshire County Constabulary.

PKG/PMG

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18.3.48

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FOR INFORMATION A

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M.I.5 Registry

C.X. Report No. 0489

M.I.5 CANNING: Have you traces, please, of:-

Date 11/2/48.

SURNAME Name at birth if different, or if known by any other name	HURST 17 AUG 1959
Full Christian names	George
Date & place of birth	Hungary
NATIONALITY Nationality at birth (if different from above)	As above
Full name, nationality at birth, and place of birth of :-	Father Mother Husband/Wife
Subject of enquiry or parents naturalized, state date and name in which certificate was granted.	Naturalised British
Present private address	
Permanent address	
National Registration No.	
Brief particulars of previous employment	
Particulars of relatives in enemy occupied or controlled countries	

Information to assist identification if not covered by above :-

A director of the Anglo-Hungarian Trading Co.,
 also A director of Simmons Paper Co. Ltd., 22, St. Giles High Street
 London, W.C.2.

M.I.5
REMARKS BY S.B.:-

We spoke (Jones - Hill). I passed to Jones a summary of our available information concerning HURST. I read to Jones the letter written by HURST to CROSSE & BLACKWELL, Dublin; I said that, in my view, HURST was either a knave or a fool to have written such a letter, and that he did not appear to be discreet.

B. D. Hill
 S.L.B./5.3.48.

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I.P.I., Mr. Bamford.

Many thanks for your note regarding W. Denis KENDALL, M.P.
I should like to be information if you have any further information
from India regarding Denis KENDALL's activities there.

B. A. Hill

S.L.B.
27.2.48.

B.A. Hill.

R.S.

Rease pa.
in PFY. 51390

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SECRETS.L.B. (Mr. Hill).

In connection with KENDALL M.P., an extract of a letter from D.I.B., India to S.L.O., New Delhi dated 18.2.48 reads as follows :-

Enquiries show that Mr. KENDALL arrived in Jamnagar on the 12th October, 1947 by air from Karachi and stayed there as the guest of the Nawanagar State. He was accompanied by the Hon'ble the Bishop, John M. SMITS and E. MIFIELD. Mr. KENDALL left Jamnagar by air on the 16th October for Karachi. It is also vaguely reported that his visit to Jamnagar was in connection with "certain accounts" and "some secret activities regarding import of gold from America".

Further enquiries are in progress and should any information of interest come to notice you will be informed.

2. Indians find it as easy to mutilate European names as we do to mutilate Indian names. Hon'able the Bishop is presumably Hans BISCHOFF and E. MIFIELD is presumably E. W. IMFELD. When DAWN (a Moslem newspaper) reported KENDALL and Co.'s arrival in Karachi the names were given as G. BISCHOUS and JINSELF - the Dutch gin was doubtless responsible for the latter.

Altham

I.P.I.
25.2.48.
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(P.C. Bamford)

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In May, 1947, it had been brought to notice that Alexander RAVEN THOMSON and Allan T. SMITH, both ardent Mosleyite Fascists, were hoping to acquire a part-interest in a Grantham printing firm known as the "Kendall Press", a concern controlled by W. Denis KENDALL, Esq., M.P., and subsequently, on the 24th June, 1947, a letter was addressed to the Superintendent at Grantham by Richard J. Alexander HAMER, complaining of the loss of 2,300 lbs. of paper which had been despatched from London by lorry on the 4th June, consigned to Messrs. Grantham Publications Ltd. Enquiries of this firm revealed that the paper in question was to have been used in the printing of a book, called "China's Destiny", for Messrs. Thomson and Smith.

As a result of the enquiry regarding the loss of the paper, Frederick C. LIVINGSTONE, CRO. 17070-38, the agent in London responsible for despatching the paper, was charged at the County of London Sessions on the 21st January, 1948, with obtaining money by false pretences, and W. Denis KENDALL, HAMER and Allan T. SMITH all gave evidence.

On the 24th January, 1948, as a result of a message from a member of the Leicestershire Constabulary, D/Sergeant Winfield, of Grantham, went to Bottesford, Leicestershire, where he was introduced to Captain J. F. JENKINS, R.A.S.C.

Captain JENKINS informed D/Sergeant Winfield that one of his colleagues, Second-Lieutenant J. DAKIN, was keeping company with a Miss "Kiwi" KENDALL, whose father, James KENDALL, is a brother of W. Denis KENDALL. James KENDALL was formerly a member of the firm Grantham Publications Ltd., of which W. Denis KENDALL was managing director.

Second-Lieutenant DAKIN had informed Captain JENKINS that, whilst he was in Miss Kendall's company on the 22nd January, 1948, she had become distressed and had told him that she was afraid of what might happen to her father as he was engaged with W. Denis KENDALL in "gun-running". DAKIN had asked the girl "To Palestine?", and she had replied "Yes".

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This information was passed to M.I.5, and it was pointed out that, in view of the apparent close association of the KENDALLS with HAMER, RAVEN THOMSON and SMITH, there might be significance in the fact that FRANCIS C. FANE lost his life in an explosion at sea whilst aboard a yacht owned by a shipping company in which HAMER is interested.

M.I.5 replied that, in the summer of last year, information was received that Mr. Denis KENDALL was engaged in some project to run bar gold to India in his launch the "Tao Tien". This information was passed to the Metropolitan Police, who subsequently confirmed that it was substantially correct; but that the "Tao Tien" had been found to be too small for Mr. KENDALL's purpose. Mr. KENDALL had, in the meantime, gone to India, and it had been reported that, when he returned to this country, he intended to look for a larger boat.

No indication was given, however, as to whether or not there is any foundation for the suspicion which exists here that FANE was also engaged on a "gun-running" expedition when he met his death.

W. Swann
D/Superintendent.

The Chief Constable.



AWK.
CID.

County Constabulary Headquarters,

LINCOLN.

24th February, 1948.

SECRET

Loss of the M.Y. "Aarla".

At 4.15 p.m. on Saturday, the 21st June, 1947, a telephone message was received at Sleaford from the Belfast Police to the effect that, during the early hours of the 17th June, an explosion was heard at sea off the Ayrshire coast. Shortly afterwards, a body was picked up and taken to Belfast by the S.S. "Lairdsdale", which was sailing from Ardrossan. Subsequently, wreckage was found bearing the name "Aarla". Enquiries had been made through the Metropolitan Police, and the Belfast Police had been informed that Francis Christopher FANE and Captain Harry FANE, both of Fulbeck, were members of the crew. A description of the body was given, and the Belfast Police enquired whether it fitted either of the FANES.

Inspector Clarke, of Sleaford, was able to say that the description in no way resembled those of the brothers FANE, but nevertheless he visited Fulbeck the same evening.

He ascertained that members of the family knew of the loss of the "Aarla", and that the belief that Captain Harry FANE was a member of the crew was mistaken. Inspector Clarke learned that Francis C. FANE was First Mate on the "Aarla", a former Admiralty yacht, which had been purchased by a firm in which FANE had an interest, and he was told that the latter and a friend named WILLIAMS were to recruit a crew in Scotland and sail the vessel from the Kyles of Bute to Lowestoft. He also learned from Mrs. Fane that a member of the firm in which her late husband was interested was Richard J. Alexander HAMER, a well-known Fascist.

As there was no conclusive evidence that Francis C. FANE was on board the "Aarla" at the time of the explosion, and the cause of the explosion was unknown, an enquiry for further details was addressed to the Belfast Police.

The reply indicated that the vessel was owned by the Park Lane Shipping Company, of 34 South Molton Street, London, W.1 (HAMER's business address), and gave the names and addresses of the crew. It also revealed that the body taken to Belfast by the S.S. "Lairdsdale" had been identified as that of a man named Torquil MACKENZIE, of Stornoway, and that another body washed ashore at Campbeltown, Argyllshire, on the 21st June, 1947, together with wreckage of the "Aarla", had been identified as that of Joseph JEFFERS, of Morpeth.

The report also contained the information that the "Aarla" called at Ardrossan on the evening of the 16th June, and left there at 9 p.m. the same day, believed bound for Lowestoft, and that the explosion was believed to have occurred about 3 a.m. the following morning in the North Channel off the Ayrshire coast.

No information was available, however, to indicate the cause of the accident.

A report on the occurrence was then forwarded to M.I.5.

On the 20th August, 1947, the body of a man in the uniform of an officer of the Merchant Navy was washed ashore at Lamlash, Isle of Arran, Bute. In the pocket was a silver cigarette case, with the initials "F.C.F." engraved thereon. Captain Harry FANE went to Lamlash, and identified the body as that of his brother, Francis Christopher.

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Ref: PFY.51390/SLB

23rd February, 1948.

Dear Burt,

Many thanks for your letter of the 18th February, enclosing copies of various reports relating to the movements of Mr. W. Denis KENDALL, M.P. and some of his associates.

It is most useful for me to have this information on record.

Yours sincerely,

B. A. Hill

B.A. Hill. ✓

Deputy Commander L.J. Burt, M.V.O.,
Special Branch.

BAH/MKM

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S.B. No. 5. (Flimsy).

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SPECIAL REPORT.

25th day of January, 1948.

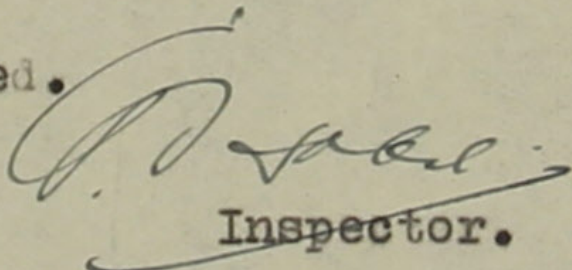
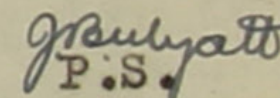
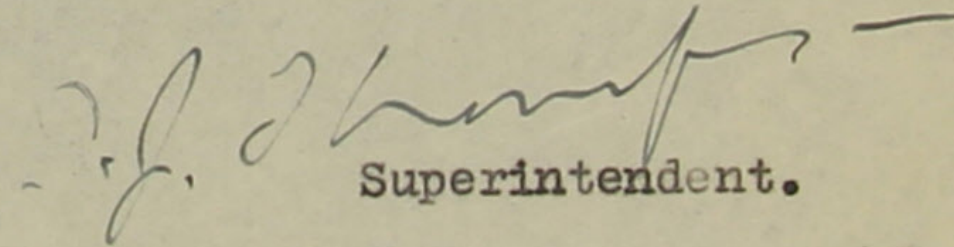
SUBJECT

With reference to Denis KENDALL, M.P., subject of
Circulation Sheet No. 113, dated 11th September, 1947:-

KENDALL arrived at this port from Calais at 4.25
p.m. today. It may be of interest to report that he will
be leaving this country on 28th January, 1948 for the
United States.

REFERENCE TO
PAPERS.

Submitted.


Inspector.
P.S. Rath
Superintendent.M.P.-34212/16.000
Mar./1947 c135

S.B. No. 5. (Flimsy).

LONDON AIRPORT.COPYMETROPOLITAN POLICE (Special Branch)

130a (2)

SPECIAL REPORT.

24th. day of January 1948

SUBJECT

William Denis

KENDALL.

REFERENCE TO
PAPERS.

William Denis KENDALL, M.P., subject of Port
Circulation Sheet No. 113 (1) dated 11-9-1947 and of previous
London Airport reports, was among passengers leaving this
airport for Paris at 10am to-day.

Mr. KENDALL said that he would return to this
country tomorrow but would leave again for America on
28-1-1948.

R. Hecla. P.C.

Submitted.

Sergeant.

J. J. Thompson
SUPERINTENDENT.

S.B. No. 5. (Flimsy).

LONDON AIRPORT.COPYMETROPOLITAN POLICE (Special Branch)

SPECIAL REPORT.

130a(3)

12th. day of January 1948

SUBJECT

William Denis

& James Karl

KENDALL.

REFERENCE TO
PAPERS.

see LU
William Denis KENDALL, M.P., subject of Port
Circulation Sheet No. 113(1) dated 11-9-1947 arrived at
this airport from Paris at 7-30pm to-day.

see LU
Mr. KENDALL was accompanied by his brother,
James Karl KENDALL, who travelled with him when he left
London Airport on 11-1-1948.

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25-2-1948-

L. Hedman.

P.C.

Submitted.

A. Taylor.
Sergeant.

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(Sgt) P. J. Thompson
SUPERINTENDENT.

M.F. 638/15,000
Dec./1946 c135

S.B. No. 5. (Flimsy).

LONDON AIRPORT.COPYMETROPOLITAN POLICE (Special Branch) 133(a)4

SPECIAL REPORT.

11th day of January 1948

SUBJECT

W.D. KENDALL.

J.K. KENDALL.

REFERENCE TO
PAPERS.

William Dennis KENDALL, M.P., subject of
Port Circulation Sheet No. 113(1) dated 11-9-47 left this
airport for Paris at 10.am to-day.

He was accompanied by his brother James
Karl KENDALL travelling on British Passport No. 281396 and
stated that he would only be out of the country for one day.

W.H. Merrill P.C.

Submitted.

J. Taylor
Sergeant.

(Sgt) P. J. Thompson
SUPERINTENDENT.

Ad
4/25/48

M.P. 638/15,000
Dec./1946 c135

S.B. No. 1. (Flimsy)

METROPOLITAN POLICE.

COPY.

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Special Report }

SPECIAL BRANCH,

SUBJECT

17th day of November 1947.

Reference to Papers

With reference to the allegation that Mr. D. Kendall, M.P., and the Maharajah of Nawanagar are likely to smuggle gold bars to India in the yacht "Tao-Tien":-

Mr. Kimber, Chief of the Special Enquiry Branch of H. M. Customs, informed me on the telephone today that a vessel called the "Anco", which was very similar to the one now under suspicion, sailed for India from Gillingham on 8th March, 1947. Amongst the cargo were 146 bars of silver painted to look like ballast.

This silver belonged to the Maharajah of Nawanagar and it was passed by Customs at the special request of the India Office.

Kimber pointed out that, if precious metal is to be sent in the "Tao-Tien" it might be shipped under similar arrangements. The "Tao-Tien" is now lying in the Thames, and Kimber said the Customs proposed to do nothing further in the matter beyond searching the vessel when it was due to sail.

In regard to the information in the extract from "Dawn" attached to the letter of 24th October, 1947, from Mr. P. C. Bamford, Kimber said the Customs are satisfied there were no rifles on the air taxi GAGDT.

Sign T. J. Shonken
Superintendent.

M.P.-47-35770/16M W112

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S.B. No. 5. (Flimsy).

LONDON AIRPORTCOPYMETROPOLITAN POLICE (Special Branch)

SPECIAL REPORT.

19th day of October, 1947.

SUBJECT

William
Denis
KENDALL &
Johannes M.
SMITS.REFERENCE TO
PAPERS.

William Denis KENDALL, M.P., subject of Port Circulation Sheet No. 113. (1) dated 11th September, 1947, arrived at this airport from Karachi at 9.45 a.m. to-day. He was travelling on British Passport No. 746444 issued in London on 22nd September, 1947, in which he is described as an engineer, born 27th May, 1903 at Halifax.

He gave as his address - Beltin Lane, Grantham.

Accompanying him was [PF 126/588 No. 25th 48.] Johannes Marinus SMITS, Dutch merchant, who came to this country on 24th September, 1947, to see Mr. Kendall (vide report of that date from this airport). SMITS gave Basil Street Hotel, Knightsbridge, S.W.3, as his address in this country.

Submitted.

J. Jordan
Sergeant.

B. Watkins, P.C.

[Signature]
Superintendent.

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M.P. 54212/16,000
Mar./1947 c135

S.B. No. 1. (Flimsy)

CROYDON AIRPORT.COPY.**METROPOLITAN POLICE.**

Special Report }

SPECIAL BRANCH,

132a (7)

8th day of October 1947.

SUBJECT

Denis KENDALL

M.P.

Reference to Papers

With reference to Superintendent's memorandum dated 11.9.47., concerning Mr. Denis KENDALL, M.P. :-

→ G-AGDT

This man left this port today by privately Chartered aircraft for Karachi. He was one of a party of four, the other persons being as follows:-

See LU.

Hans G. BISCHOP, born 28.12.1911 at Baden, Passport No. 122509 issued Aarau on 2.5.47. A Swiss, who gave his address in this country as Basil Street Hotel, Knightsbridge, S.W.1. (1897)

[PF 126,588 NLT.] [Johannes M. SMITS,] Dutch, born 10.6.1947. at Flushing, Passport No. A. 70990 issued London 26.6.47. Address - Basil Street Hotel, Knightsbridge, S.W.1.

Ernest Wilhelm IMPEL, Swiss, born 15.6.1903. at Lunern, Passport No. 1183344 issued Zurich on 8.5.47. Address - Basil Street Hotel, Knightsbridge, S.W.1.

The scheduled route of the aircraft is Lyon, Ajaccio, Malta, Benghazi, Eladem, Lydda, Bahram, Bahrein, Sharfa, Jinani and Karachi.

Submitted.

E. Eades P.C.

E. J. Barnes
Sergeant.

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Superintendent

M.P. 34211/16,000
Mar./1947 w112

Special Branch,

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New Scotland Yard,

LONDON, S.W.1.

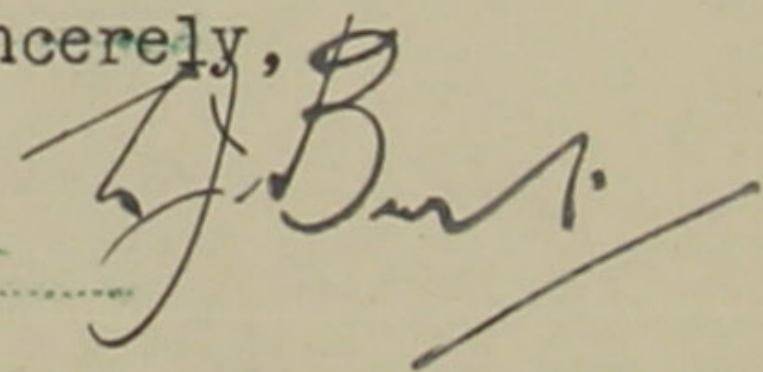
18th February 1948.

Dear Hill,

As arranged with Chief Inspector Bridges, over the telephone this morning, I am sending you various copies of reports relating to the movements of W. Denis Kendall, M.P., and some of his associates.

See W.

Yours sincerely,



B.A. Hill, Esq.,
M.I.5.

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Ref: PF.51390/Y/SLB
Enclosure

12th February, 1948.

Dear Howe,

You will remember my correspondence with you in the autumn of last year, under the above reference, concerning the activities of Mr. W. Denis KENDALL, M.P.

Mr. Denis KENDALL has recently come to notice again, this time in connection with arms traffic. We have received a report from Mr. Fooks, Chief Constable of the Lincolnshire County Constabulary, and I do not think I can do better than forward you a copy of this report; this I am doing with Mr. Fooks' approval.

I do not know whether your informant can throw any light on Mr. Denis KENDALL's present activities. If so, I shall be grateful if you will let me have any information you may have about him.

Yours sincerely,

B.A. Hill.

R.M. Howe, Esq., M.C.,
New Scotland Yard.

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12.2.48

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Ref: PF.51390/Y/SLB

Yr.ref: AWK.CID.

26/.04/10(SB.20)

12th February, 1948.

Dear Mr. Fooks,

Many thanks for your letter of the 6th February, informing me that there is no objection to my forwarding a copy of your report on this matter to Mr. R.M. Howe at New Scotland Yard; this I have accordingly done.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Percy Sillitoe.

R.H. Fooks, Esq., M.A.,
Chief Constable,
Lincolnshire County Constabulary,
Headquarters, LINCOLN.

BAH/MKM

✓ 26/5/48
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12.2.48

All communications to be addressed to The Chief Constable of Lincolnshire, Lincoln



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CID.
26/.04/10 (SB.20).

COUNTY CONSTABULARY

HEADQUARTERS

LINCOLN

Telephone 8173

SECRET

6th February, 1948.

Dear Sir Percy,

I write to acknowledge, with thanks, your letter, PF.51390/Y/SLB., dated the 4th February, 1948, concerning Mr. Denis KENDALL, M.P., and his brother, Mr. James KENDALL.

I have not forwarded to Mr. Howe a copy of the report submitted by my Superintendent at Grantham, but there is no objection to your doing so.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature: A. J. Jones

Sir Percy Sillitoe, C.B.E., D.L.,
Box No. 500,
Parliament Street B.O.,
LONDON, S.W.1.

ENCL.....

7 FEB 1948

TO.....

SLB.

PF 51390
Held 125

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Ref: PF. 51390/Y/BLB

5th February, 1948.

Dear

We have received a report of a rather delicate nature from the Chief Constable of Lincolnshire to the effect that Mr. Denis KENDALL, M.P. is engaged in some gun-running transaction to Palestine.

The story is that these arms were to be purchased in Switzerland from a certain Dr. E.W. INFELD of Neumuhlequai 44, Zuerich 6. We ourselves have no trace of Dr. INFELD and we do not know whether there is any substance in this story. From more than one source, however, we have received reports that Mr. Denis KENDALL is interested in the supply of arms to Palestine, and it has been suggested that he tends to use his motor launch "Tao Tien" for this purpose.

We should be interested to know whether you have any record of Dr. INFELD and whether it would be possible for you to make any enquiries in Switzerland as to his activities.

Yours sincerely,

B. D. Hill

Mr. B. A. Hill.

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26/.04/10(S.B.20)

4th February, 1948.

Dear Mr. Fooks,

Many thanks for your letter of the 26th January, enclosing a report received from your Superintendent at Grantham on the alleged gun-running activities of Mr. Denis KENDALL, M.P. and his brother, Mr. James KENDALL. The latter has not hithertofore come to our notice in this respect.

In the summer of last year we received information that Mr. Denis KENDALL, M.P. was engaged on some project to run bar gold to India in the launch "Tao Tien". This information was passed to Mr. Howe, Assistant Commissioner, New Scotland Yard, who subsequently confirmed that our original information was substantially correct but that the boat "Tao Tien" had been found to be too small for Mr. KENDALL's purpose. Mr. KENDALL had in the meantime gone to India and the next story we heard was that, when Mr. KENDALL returned to this country, he intended to look for a larger boat.

I realise that the information contained in your report comes from highly delicate sources, but what I would like to do, if you have not already done so, is to forward a copy of your report to Mr. Howe; would there be any objection to my doing so?

Yours sincerely,

B. S. Hill

Sir Percy Sillitoe.

R.H. Fooks, Esq., M.A.,
Chief Constable,
Lincolnshire County Constabulary,
Headquarters, LINCOLN.

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"Grantham Journal", 2nd January, 1948.

Grantham Traders

HIGH COURT PETITION FOR WINDING UP

A PETITION for the winding-up of Grantham Traders, Ltd., has been presented to the High Court under the Companies Act by Allied Distributors (Palestine), Ltd., of Tel Aviv.

This is directed to be heard before Mr. Justice Vaisey at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, on January 19th.

Grantham Traders was registered two years ago, with a capital of £1,000 in £1 ordinary shares.

Of these, 748 were held by Mr. W. D. Kendall, M.P., of Belton-lane, Grantham; 250 by his brother, Mr. James Kendall, of Deezweet, Harrowby-lane; and one each by the company secretary and accountant respectively, Messrs. T. P. O'Connor and W. G. T. Oubridge.

The directors of the Company included Mr. W. D. Kendall, M.P., Mr. James Kendall, Mr. W. J. Brown, M.P., and Sir Robert Pattinson. With the exception of Mr. James Kendall, all three were described also as directors of Grantham Productions, Ltd. Mr. J. Kendall was shown as a director of Grantham Plastics, Ltd.

Grantham Traders have been engaged as importers and exporters of all kinds of merchandise, and were at one time interested in the distribution of what was known as the Corgi motor-cycle, a civilian adaptation of the machine used by paratroopers during the war. It weighed only a few pounds, and could be fairly easily carried, the machine being so designed as to fold into a cylindrical container.

The company were also exporters of textiles, etc.

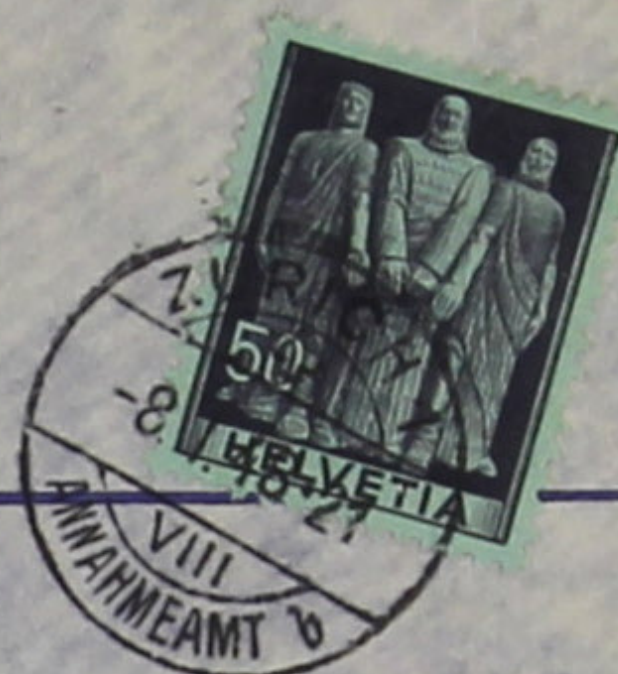


BY AIR MAIL
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ENGLAND

Dr. E.W. Imfeld
Neumühlequai 44
Zuerich 6

Switzerland



Mr. Denis Kendall M.P.
"Brusa", Belton Lane

G R A N T H A M

Lincs.

"Grantham Journal" dated 23rd January, 1948.

Grantham Traders Ltd. wound up compulsorily

FIRM PAID FOR MOTOR-CYCLES WHICH NEVER EXISTED

STATING that he hesitated to use the word "fraud," but adding that the circumstances in which the petitioners' debt was incurred were very unsatisfactory, Mr. Magnus appeared for Allied Distributors (Palestine), Ltd., of Tel Aviv, in the Chancery Division on Monday before Mr. Justice Vaisey, who made a compulsory winding-up order against Grantham Traders, Ltd.

Allied Distributors were judgment creditors for £525 and £8 17s. costs.

Mr. Magnus said there were no supporting creditors, and he did not think the Company was represented in court.

Grantham Traders, Ltd., apparently existed, he said, for

the purpose of distributing the products of Grantham Productions, Ltd. (now in voluntary liquidation).

Allied Distributors were supposed to have been appointed distributing agents for the Company in Palestine and Transjordan of certain motor-cycles.

"We paid this money," added counsel, "having been led to believe not only that the cycles were in existence, but that they were ready for shipment."

"It would appear they never existed."

Mr. Justice Vaisey: Everything you have told me so far indicates that the Company should be wound up. I don't think you need say anything more.

£1,000 CAPITAL

Grantham Traders, Ltd., as reported in the "Journal" on January 2nd, was established two years ago. Particulars taken from the Joint Stock Register show that its capital was £1,000 in £1 ordinary shares. Of these 748 were held by Mr. W. D. Kendall, M.P., 250 by his brother, and one each by the secretary and accountant.

The directors were then described as including Mr. W. D. Kendall, Mr. J. K. Kendall, and Sir Robert Pattinson. The last-named has, however, since issued a disclaimer that he has been associated with the Company in any way.

CAR DEPOSITS CASE

A case brought by the Dominions and South Africa Trading Company, Ltd., against Grantham Productions, Ltd. (of which Mr. Kendall was managing director), for the return of £25,000 alleged to have been paid as a deposit against deliveries of cars from the Grantham factories, is listed for hearing before Mr. Justice Vaisey in the High Court on March 22nd.

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Form 16B.

LINCOLNSHIRE CONSTABULARY

Grantham Station

25th January, 1948.

Suspected "Gun-running."

On the evening of Saturday, 24th January, 1948, I received a request from Police Sergeant Bradshaw, Leicestershire Constabulary, stationed at Bottesford, to visit him at once as he had some important information which could not be telephoned.

I went there at once and Sergt. Bradshaw accompanied me to No. 17 Petrol Depot, R.A.S.C., Bottesford, and introduced me to Captain J.F. JENKINS.

Captain JENKINS informed me that one of his colleagues, Second Lieut. J. DAKIN, was keeping company with a Miss 'Kiwi' KENDALL, whose father, James KENDALL, is a brother of Mr. W. Denis KENDALL, M.P., of "Brusa", Belton Lane, Grantham. James KENDALL was formerly a member of the firm Grantham Productions, Ltd., of which W. Denis KENDALL, M.P., was managing director. James KENDALL is believed now to be in the employ of one of Mrs. VAN DER ELST's firms engaged in the production of toilet preparations, and is not now resident in Grantham.

Lieut. DAKIN had informed Captain JENKINS that whilst DAKIN was in the company of Miss 'Kiwi' KENDALL on the 22nd January, 1948, the young lady had become distressed and told DAKIN that she was afraid of what might happen to her father as he was engaged with W. Denis KENDALL in gun-running. DAKIN had asked the girl, "To Palestine?" and she had replied, "Yes."

Captain JENKINS' wife, now resident at c/o Edwards, 10 Avenue Road, Grantham, worked as private secretary to W. Denis KENDALL, at his Grantham home from the 5th January, 1948 to the 17th January, 1948. Also working in similar capacities are Mrs. HUDDLESTONE of Foston, near Grantham, and Miss Kathleen DRAKE, of 16 Ryde Avenue, Grantham. The latter often travels with her employer.

Mrs. JENKINS, during her employment at "Brusa", Belton Lane, had brought home with her an Air Mail envelope from Switzerland for her husband to include the stamp in his collection. The envelope (attached hereto) is postmarked 8.1.48 and was posted to W. Denis KENDALL from Dr. E.W. IMFELD, Neumuhlquai 44, Zuerich 6, Switzerland. Mrs. JENKINS believed that W. Denis KENDALL visited Dr. IMFELD between the 11th and 13th January, 1948, although he was supposed to have gone to Paris. Mrs. JENKINS states that the letter enclosed in this envelope referred to the delivery of unspecified goods, presumably from Mr. W.D. KENDALL to DR. IMFELD, for which the latter thanked the former. The letter was followed within a few days by a cablegram, in vague terms, on the same subject. This information is of possible interest in view of the "Daily Mail" account of Superintendent THORP's enquiries in Switzerland (copy dated 23rd January, 1948) into an army surplus swindle.

I attach press cuttings relative to the winding up of "Grantham Traders, Ltd." showing the KENDALLS' business interests in Palestine.

W. Denis KENDALL has had business dealings with R.A.J. HAMER, A. RAVEN THOMSON and Allan T. SMITH well known Fascists (Mosleyite) (vide my report of 25th June, 1947, and H.O. Monthly Bulletins Nos. 23, 24 and 25, 1947). W. Denis KENDALL, R.A.J. HAMER and Allan T. SMITH were called, with myself, as witnesses in a case of false pretences against Frederick C. Livingstone, C.R.O. 17070-38, at the County of London Sessions, 21st January, 1948. HAMER has shipping interests, referred to in the letter from the Chief Constable of Lincolnshire to Sir Percy Sillitoe, C.B.E., D.L., dated 7th August, 1947, under reference AWK.CID. 26/Oct/10 (S.B. 15).

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Form 16B.

LINCOLNSHIRE CONSTABULARY

Grantham Station

25th January, 1948.

It is within the JENKINS' knowledge that W. Denis KENDALL has a yacht or houseboat moored in the Thames at Westminster Bridge pier. It is called the "Teo Tien". Mrs. JENKINS has also informed me that W. Denis KENDALL has booked a passage on the "Queen Mary" for U.S.A. sailing 28th January, 1948. He is travelling as a private individual (not on any government mission) and intends to visit New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia and Chicago. Lord Quibell, Labour Peer, of Scunthorpe, said to be W. Denis KENDALL's closest confidant, is believed to be travelling to America with him.

No further enquiry is being made pending instructions.

Ad W. Winfield
Detective-sergeant 477.

Superintendent W. Weatherhogg,
Grantham.

Telephone 8173



All communications to be
addressed to The Chief
Constable of Lincolnshire,
Lincoln.

COUNTY CONSTABULARY

HEADQUARTERS

AWK.
CID.
26/.04/10 (S.B.20).

26th January,

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Dear Sir,

Suspected "Gun-running".

I forward herewith, for your information, a copy of a report which I have received from my Superintendent at Grantham, on the above subject.

There seems to be no doubt that the Kendalls are closely associated with the ardent Fascists, HAMER, Raven THOMSON and Allan T. SMITH, and there may be some significance in the fact that Francis C. FANE, a prominent Fascist in this County, lost his life in a mysterious explosion at sea whilst aboard a yacht owned by a shipping company in which HAMER is interested.

Reports on the loss of the yacht, the "Aarla", were forwarded to you with my letters of the 1st August and the 13th November, 1947.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Constable.

Sir Percy Sillitoe, C.B.E., D.L.,
Box No. 500,
Parliament Street B.O.,
LONDON, S.W.1.

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Copy of an article which appeared in "Dawn"
dated 14th October, 1947.

"I HAVE BROUGHT NO RIFLES", SAYS DENNIS KENDALL, M.P.

Special plane's mystery dash for Jamnagar with
strange human cargo.

By Dawn Special Correspondent.

" "I am Dennis KENDALL, Member of the British Parliament" - announced an agitated voice to Dawn, a little after lunch time on Sunday last over the telephone. The voice went on : "I have come in the plane GAGDT about which you have put in a story on your front page this morning. I am carrying no rifles. The Customs have searched my plane and have found nothing".

Inquiries made by Dawn at the Airport from the customs authorities confirmed Mr. KENDALL's statement, but did not solve the mystery of his sudden air dash in a specially chartered plane, which landed at Karachi Airport at 12.30 p.m. on Sunday and took off again for the capital of the Jam Saheb of Nawanagar at 3.45 the same afternoon.

The plane was a twin-engined Beachcraft and, in addition to Mr. Dennis KENDALL, M.P., it brought three more mystery men. They were: Mr. SMITS, a Dutchman, Mr. G. BISCHOUS and Mr. JINSELE, both of Swiss nationality.

Mr. KENDALL protested volubly against a report published in Sunday's Dawn, from its London Office, which did not mention his name, that on the plane GAGDT which had left Croydon on Wednesday, there might possibly be a cargo of rifles destined for Nawanagar. But Mr. KENDALL said nothing about the purpose of his visit or about his three strange companions. Nor did the other three prove more communicative about themselves than the principal occupant of the mystery plane.

It will be recalled that the report in Dawn had actually mentioned the Dutchman as well as the countries of Switzerland and Holland in the context of the Jam Saheb of Nawanagar's reported attempts to bring off certain deals.

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S.I.B. (Mr. Hill).

In continuation of my No. 4177 dated 24th October, 1947 about W.D. KENDALL, M.P., I attach a copy of a despatch No. 46/245/47 (with enclosure) dated 20th October, 1947 from the Office of the High Commissioner for U.K., Karachi to the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations.

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10.11.47.
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P.C. Bamford
(P.C. Bamford).

Enclosure.

R.S.

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Copy of Despatch No.46/245/47 d. 20.10.47.
from Office of the High Commissioner for U.K.,
Karachi to S. of S. for Commonwealth Relations.

In continuation of my Despatch No. 41 of October 13th, 1947, relative to press statements about the purpose of the journey of Mr. W.D. KENDALL, M.P. to Jamnagar, I have the honour to report that the newspaper "Dawn" of Karachi, in which the offending article appeared on October 12th, published in its immediately following issue, on October 14th, a statement by Mr. KENDALL which, however ungracious its presentation, adequately disposes of the newspaper's suggestion of gun-running. I enclose a copy of this article.

2. Mr. KENDALL called on me in Karachi on October 15th and asked my advice as to the course he should pursue - I said that he must be the judge of whether or not to take legal proceedings against "Dawn", especially if there were any question of the British Parliament having been insulted in his person; but that, if the matter affected himself alone, I thought he would be wise to think twice before giving further extension to a stupid story by legal action here.

3. I am sending a copy of the despatch to the United Kingdom High Commissioner, New Delhi.

COPY

EXTRACT FROM "DAWN" DATED OCTOBER 12TH, 1947.

BRITISH M.P. IS SELLING ARMS TO NAWANAGAR.

FIRST BATCH BY AIR.

From DAWN London Office.

London, Oct. 11 : A privately owned air taxi, GAGDT, left Croydon on Wednesday for Nawanagar carrying a cargo of rifles said to have been made during the war at a factory owned by a British Member of Parliament.

A Member of Parliament also travelled for the same destination.

"Dawn" further learns that the Jam Saheb of Nawanagar is now using a Member of Parliament in a bid to obtain £2,000,000 worth of gold, arranged in a deal from Switzerland to Holland before the embargo. Holland is willing to sell to Jawanagar.

The return deal will consist of cotton and some jute, which Nawanagar will supply at a price enabling the Dutch to resell the stores in South Africa at exactly double the price paid.

Nawanagar is also buying 750,000 litres of liquor, consisting of Dutch gin and brandy. Attempts are likely to be made to break through the Bombay prohibition regulations in an attempt to make a fortune.

DUTCH AGENT.

The Dutch have appointed their own agent, who stayed at the Basil Hotel, Knightsbridge, London, and is now also en route to Nawanagar with the Member of Parliament.

The rifles loaded on the air taxi are believed to be the first consignment of arms which figure in a private deal between the Jam Saheb and his M.P. friend.

A privately-owned yacht has also been prepared for use in smuggling arms to the Continent, from where they will be taken to Nawanagar by air.

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S/L.B. (Mr. Hill).

In connection with the KENDALL story
I attach a copy of an extract from "DAWN"
dated 12th October, 1947. I am sending a
copy to Howe of Scotland Yard.

2. "DAWN" is one of the main Moslem League
papers in India.

I.P.I.
24.10.47.
PCB/ERW

Hillman
(P.C. Bamford)

Enclosure.

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27.10.47

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NOTE:

On 13.9.47 Mr. Howe telephoned with the following information:-

- i) According to his information, KENDALL was leaving by air for India on Monday, 15th September. He will be in India for a few days and on his return to this country will then do something about the gold. The difficulty, according to Howe's informant who is independent from Pritt's informant, is that the present boat "Tao Tien" is too small for his purpose as it will only hold about two tons of gold. When KENDALL returns to this country, he intends therefore, to look for a bigger motor launch.
- ii) It now seems that Pritt has given to Howe the name of his informant and that Howe has put this informant in touch with Mr. Kimber, the Chief Preventive Officer of Customs & Excise.
- iii) The Dutch Police have replied to Mr. Howe merely saying that nothing unusual occurred during the "Tao Tien"'s visit to Rotterdam.
- iv) It seems that the information given by Pritt's informant is substantially true as Howe has had the gist of Pritt's information confirmed from his own independent source. Howe has promised to keep me informed as to what transpires in this matter.

B. A. Hill

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19.9.47.

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Ref: PF.51390/S.L.B.

10th September, 1947.

Dear Howe,

Further to my correspondence with you about Denis KENDALL, M.P., I have now ascertained from Lloyds that the boat Tao Tien arrived at Amsterdam on the 18th August and left the same day, giving no destination. I am afraid, therefore, that your enquiries of the Dutch Police will produce no result.

I do not know whether the Tao Tien has returned to Oulton Broad or whether it has set out on the long trek to India. Lloyd's information does, to a certain extent, conform to the information supplied by Pritt's informant.

Yours sincerely,

B. A. Hill

B.A. Hill.

R.M. Howe, Esq., M.C.,
New Scotland Yard.

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I.P.I. Mr. Bamford

Reference you I.P.I. 3503 of the 5th September, I have passed all the information in our possession to Mr. How, assistant Commissioner, who is making enquiries through the Dutch Police.

The matter is purely a C.I.D. matter. As far as I am concerned, having passed the information over to Mr. How, there is nothing more for me to do.

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8.9.47.

B. A. Hill
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5th September, 1947.

S.L.B. (Mr. Hill).

With your minute dated 22nd August, 1947, you sent to Mr. Vickery a copy of the note you recorded of your interview with Mr. Pritt about alleged preparations by Mr. Kendall M.P. to convey gold from Amsterdam to India. Your note was seen by the C.R.O. (late India Office) to which office Mr. Pritt has not yet made an approach. 109a

The C.R.O. agree with us that illicit arms traffic is likely to be directed to and not from India. Moreover, they believe that the Jam Sahib of Nawabnagar has parted company with Mr. Kendall and is not likely to be concerned in any such transaction with him. Nevertheless, there may be something fishy about the yacht so they suggest that Customs officials both here and in Amsterdam be warned - if this is feasible - to pay attention to her. Would you therefore, kindly consider action of this nature?

Albhamford.

PCB/ERW.

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COPY

Room 055,

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PERSONAL &
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2nd September, 1947.

Dear Pritt,

Further to my letter of 26th August Mr. Howe tells me that he is now in touch with the Dutch police. Mr. Howe suggests there is no reason why your informant should not make his statement to the C.I.D. in London, either in person or by letter. I think, however, that in the long run the Suffolk police will have to be brought into the picture, but this is a matter on which I am not competent to advise.

I have now taken all the action I can reasonably take in the matter, and you will no doubt communicate in future direct with Mr. Howe.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) B.A. Hill.

D.N. Pritt, Esq., K.C., M.P.,
4 Essex Court,
Temple, E.C.4.

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PF.51390/S.L.B.

2nd September 1947

Dear Howe,

Thank you for your letter of 28th August about Mr. Denis KENDALL. I note that you are in touch with the Dutch police. I shall be interested to hear, in due course, the result of any enquiries they may make.

As far as I am concerned I have advised Pritt he should contact you with the name of his informant, and it is now up to him whether he will do so or not. I agree that the informant need not make a statement to the Suffolk police, but I think they will have to be brought into the picture as it will be for them to take action should the gold bars be placed on board while the boat is at Oulton Broad. The informant is well placed to get information on this point, and if he gets information action will have to be taken, it seems to me, speedily.

I have, however, written again to Pritt stating that if he likes his informant can get in touch with the C.I.D. in London.

Yours sincerely,

R.M. Howe, Esq., M.C.,
New Scotland Yard.

B. A. Hill
B.A. Hill.

Sub/mth
15.9.47

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT,

NEW SCOTLAND YARD,

LONDON, S.W.1

28th August, 1947

our Reference... PF. 51390/SLB

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29 AUG 1947

B.A. Hill, Esq., TO..... SLB.
M.I.5.

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Dear Hill,

Thank you for your letter of the 26th August referring to Denis Kendall. I got in touch with the Dutch Police to-day and they will make what enquiries they can.

I think I will let Pritt get in touch with me if he wants to. He has been to see me on other matters and knows quite well what to do.

Yours sincerely,

A.M. Howe.

P.S. I think you are going a little far when you say the informant must make his statement to the Suffolk Police. There is no reason why he should not come here if he wants to or write to us.

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15.9.47

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Room 055,

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29th August, 1947.

Dear Pritt,

I thank you for your letter of the 25th August,
which crossed with my letter to you of the 26th August.

You will no doubt now communicate with the
Assistant Commissioner, giving him the name of your informant.

Yours sincerely,

B. A. Hill

B.A. Hill.

D.N. Pritt, Esq., K.C., M.P.,
4 Essex Court,
Temple, E.C.4.

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29.8.47

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26 AUG 1947 ✓

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R. 51390 - Box 3389

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4, ESSEX COURT,
TEMPLE, E.C.4.

25th August, 1947.

Dear Hill,

I saw the informant from Oulton Broad yesterday, and formed a good impression of him.

He had been on holiday for a week, and had consequently no new information, but if there is anything interesting when he gets back to Suffolk to-day, he will let me hear of it.

The only further bits of information that came out in conversation were:-

- 1) The yacht was "A.S.L.11" before she became "Tao Tien". She has been registered with Lloyd's Registry, but not as a British ship under the Merchant Shipping Acts. It is intended to sail her under the Dutch flag.
- 2) The reason for believing that when she went to Holland on the 15th she was intended to come back to England in a short time was "You know, you get the smell of it. Nothing was actually said." On my asking for something more, I got the fact that he hadn't taken stores - and perhaps not even enough crew - for a longish voyage, etc.
- 3) Wing Commander Lowen would not be likely to be in any conspiracy.
- 4) The Press had heard something and was nosing round before my informant ever communicated with me, but doesn't seem to have got any more lively. Bartholomew of the Daily Mirror was particularly interested.

I learn casually from elsewhere that Kendall is thought to have been interested in running arms to India before; but I expect

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already
your people know a great deal more about him than I do.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature, likely "E. A. Hill", is written in ink and underlined with a single stroke.

E. A. Hill, Esq.,
Room 055,
War Office, S.W.1.

Room 055,

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26th August, 1947.

Dear Pritt,

I thank you for your letter of the 20th August with its enclosure, which I am afraid I have been able to deal with only today.

I have written to the Assistant Commissioner, Metropolitan Police, giving him a copy of your informant's statement. I have indicated to the Assistant Commissioner the terms upon which your informant is prepared to co-operate with the Police, namely points (i) and (ii) of your letter under reply.

Point (i) is clearly easy for the Police to deal with. While (ii) is a matter for the Assistant Commissioner, I think it impossible for the C.I.D. to send an officer down to Suffolk and I feel sure that the matter will have to be handled through the Chief Constable of Suffolk; I imagine that what your informant is really worried about is that the local constable should not be on the job, and that he would have no objection if a police officer from an outside district contacted him.

You have not as yet given me the name and address of your informant. I have told the Assistant Commissioner that I would ask you to communicate direct with him on this point.

..... At the

D.N. Pritt, Esq., K.C., M.P.,
4 Essex Court,
Temple, E.C.4.

Sitt
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At the same time you will no doubt indicate to him that there is no objection to the Suffolk Police contacting your informant, provided that it is not the local constable who is not so sent.

Yours sincerely,

B. A. Hill

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26th August, 1947.

again in Oulton Broad within a few days.

I have told Mr. Pritt that I have passed on his information to you. I have pointed out to him that his informant must make his statement to the Suffolk Police, and I have asked Mr. Pritt to communicate to you directly the name of his informant.

In the meantime, even with the available information, you may consider that you have enough on which to make enquiries through the Dutch Police.

If you wish to contact Mr. Pritt, his chambers are at 4 Essex Court, Temple, E.C.4 (Telephone Central 1984).

Yours sincerely,

B. A. Hill

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Enclosure

26th August, 1947.

Dear Howe,

On the 15th August I saw Mr. D.N. PRITT, K.C., M.P. at Room 055 at his request, when he told me a story concerning the activities of Mr. Denis KENDALL, M.P.

At this interview Mr. Pritt was not able to give me any first-hand evidence to substantiate the story and it was left that he would contact his informant and find out whether the latter was prepared to furnish the information he could give to the Police, as I explained to Mr. Pritt that this was not a matter which my Department should handle.

I have now heard from Mr. Pritt and he has sent me a statement, which I should think he has taken himself from his informant who apparently works for a firm of yacht and boat builders in the area of Gulton Broad, Suffolk. I enclose copy of this statement.

You will notice at once, firstly, that Mr. Pritt has still not given the name of his informant and, secondly, that, even if the facts claimed in the statement are true, no criminal offence has been committed by Mr. KENDALL in this country. I pointed this out to Mr. Pritt at our interview, but he said that he thought it might well be that the yacht might in fact take the gold aboard in this country;

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R.M. Howe, Esq., M.C.,
New Scotland Yard.

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if not, then Mr. Pritt considered that the Dutch Police would undoubtedly be interested in the story. I told Mr. Pritt that in that event it would be a matter for the Police and I promised to pass on to you all the information he gave me. You may consider that you can well check this story with the Dutch Police through the ordinary Police channels.

In sending me the statement, Mr. Pritt says that his informant is prepared:

- i) to give his name to the Police on the strict understanding that his name is not disclosed, referred to or mentioned by the Police in their investigations and that his name is not in any circumstances made known by any means, either direct or indirect, to Mr. KENDALL;
- ii) to make a statement to the Police provided the Police be not the local body and that the place of interview be previously approved by himself. As to this condition, it is of course essential that the Chief Constable of Suffolk should handle the local enquiries, interview the informant and take a formal statement from him; it is quite obvious that the Yard could not send an officer down to Suffolk. I think, however, all that Mr. Pritt really means is that the Chief Constable should not use the local police constable to interview the informant, who incidentally - Mr. Pritt tells me - is prepared also to report any further information of which he may become aware.

I am also given to understand from the same source that the yacht, with the owner aboard, left Gulton Broad on the 15th August, that the destination was Holland and that the impression was created locally that the yacht would be back

... again

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I work in a firm of yacht and boat builders in the area of Oulton Broad, Suffolk, and D. Kendall, M.P. has been having a fairly extensive conversion job carried out here to a 72'0" ex-Admiralty M.L. to the extent of £5,000 or so. The yacht is now practically complete and is expected to leave any day now.

The story starts some month or two ago when the Maharajah of Nawanagar was in England with a view to putting up further capital for Grantham productions. I had a 'phone call from Kendall, asking if we could undertake certain work for him on an ex-tank landing craft which he was proposing to buy; he indicated that he was proposing to go to India in this craft and would want it completed as soon as possible. After looking into the matter, we had to turn it down. Shortly afterwards, Kendall came down to the yard and kicked up a bit of a row about the length of time we had taken over his yacht conversion. He said that if we couldn't finish it in three weeks time he would take it away to another yard as it was, and get it finished elsewhere. It had, of course, been a longish job, due to difficulties with timber and materials supply etc. but the position in this respect did not warrant his attitude; in any case, it would have taken longer to finish elsewhere and his threat was obviously bluff, directed by necessity to have the yacht as soon as possible, the threat being merely an effort to get us to redouble our efforts to complete as soon as possible, as he required the boat for an urgent purpose; it now appears to have been the same purpose for which he required the tank landing craft. Whilst not committing myself, I said I thought I could complete by the end of July. Later was arranged a launching date and four days prior to this

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date, he came down again asking me if I could launch the following day and telling me in confidence that he was going to India with her and that the trip would mean £75,000 to him clear profit. I agreed to launch the following day and he then asked me if I thought the boat would carry a load of 20 tons. I told him that 20 tons would mean another 12 inches or so displacement and that there was scarcely room on board for twenty tons of ordinary cargo. He then said that the 20 tons would not take up much room and would easily stow under floor boards. At this point I was called away to the telephone so nothing further was said on the matter.

About the 4th August, I was invited by another yacht owner, a Wing Commander Lowen, to have a drink on board with him before he started his summer cruise. Lowen moors his yacht at our yard winter and summer and lives aboard. He appears to be a great pal of Kendall's, Kendall always visiting him when he comes down to the yard and staying to lunch, etc. After a few drinks with Lowen, I turned the conversation to Kendall, and was told that he was taking 20 tons of gold out to India for the Maharajah of Nawanager, that the gold could not be taken by plane or ship in the normal way as it was being used to buy arms by the Maharajah. The exact purpose was not made clear by Lowen but I gathered it was for arms to be used in India. Lowen told me that he thought Kendall was clearing out of the country altogether and was proposing to sell his yacht after reaching India, and then to look round for some other big money scheme. He also said that Kendall would be sailing under the Dutch flag, that the gold, painted black to resemble iron ballast, would be picked up at Rotterdam and that Kendall would act as his own skipper and only have trusted cronies with him as his crew, one of whom would be the chief engineer of Grantham.

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Productions. Lowen said he advised Kendall against not having an experienced Skipper and marine engineer but that he would not listen to him. Early in August, Kendall's Grantham productions engineer came down for the trials on the yacht (named "Tao-Tien") and I casually asked him what Kendall intended to do with her. He said he hadn't the slightest idea; later I was informed by our yard coxswain that this same man had asked him to go as skipper with Kendall on "Tao-Tien" on a trip to India for four months or so, he was asked to regard the matter as strictly confidential. Being married and with a young family he turned it down.

I believe that Lowen was telling me the story more or less as given him by Kendall, and think that it is intended to take something to India which could be taken much more easily and cheaply by plane or boat if it were all above board. The hint of arms being bought by the Maharajah of Rawanagar was dropped, I think, unintentionally by Lowen, and he seemed to have realised he'd said too much when I tried to draw him further on the subject.



CL 3. Pages.

22 AUG 1947

TO ~~SLB~~ SLB

REF PF 51390 Y. Box 3389

CENTRAL 1984

ESSEX COURT,
TEMPLE, E.C.4.

20th August, 1947.

Dear Hill,

Held RS

I have managed to get into communication with the man in Oulton Broad, who writes very reasonably, I think, as follows:-

1. I am prepared for my name to be known to the police on the strict understanding that it is not referred to or mentioned by them in their investigation and that it shall not in any circumstances be made known by any means to the owner of the yacht in question.

2. I am prepared to make a statement to the police provided that the police are not the local body and that the place of interview is previously approved by myself.

3. I am prepared to report any further activities or information, of which I become aware.

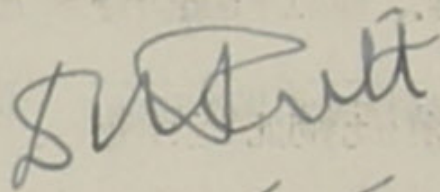
He adds that the yacht, with the owner on board, left the works on Friday, 15th August. It was understood that his destination was Holland, but there was also an impression given, true or false, that he would be back in Oulton Broad within a few days, with the yacht.

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if he really does come back, he might then
be of direct interest to the British police
on a perfectly definite level.

I also enclose the promised copy of
his statement, which has been held up
a little while by pressure of work.

Yours sincerely,



E. A. Hill, Esq.,
Room 055,
War Office, S.W.1.

Original to D.G. and B.1. to see.
Copies in PF.41856 (PRITT),
PF.51390 (KENDALL) and PF.69583 (Misc.
investigations into arms traffic).

NOTE:

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I saw Mr. D.N. Pritt, K.C., M.P. at Room 055 yesterday afternoon. The interview took place at Mr. Pritt's request and was taken by me on the instructions of D.G., Mr. Pritt having previously asked for Mr. Harker.

1. I told Mr. Pritt that Mr. Harker had retired from my Department and that I was the legal adviser and would give him all the help I could. Mr. Pritt stated that he knew my Department intensely disliked his politics (he here gave a hearty laugh). I interposed and said that I hoped we could carry out the discussion on a non-political basis; I said that in any event I was a lawyer and not concerned with politics. Mr. Pritt said he was sure we could.

He then stated that he was not certain whether he should tell his story to my Department or to the Attorney General but that, as I was a lawyer, this would greatly help. He stressed at the outset that his story was not supported by legal evidence but he said that he thought there was enough material for an investigation to be instituted, by which means legal evidence could be obtained.

2. The story Mr. Pritt gave was as follows.

Denis Kendall, M.P., Independent Member for Grantham, is the owner of a yacht now lying at Oulton Broad, where it is being re-fitted. Kendall plans, when the refit is complete, to sail the yacht to Amsterdam with his own crew, consisting of Mr. Lewin, a research engineer of Grantham Productions Ltd., and other trusted employees of the Grantham Company. The scheme is for the yacht to go to Amsterdam where it will pick up gold bars to the value of £7,000,000, which are to be painted black and camouflaged as iron ballast. The gold is to be taken to India or Pakistan (Mr. Pritt did not know which) for the account of the Maharajah of Nawanagar, the money to be used by the Maharajah to buy arms.

3. Mr. Pritt's informant was a workman employed in the yard at Oulton Broad where the yacht is being reconditioned. This workman passed the story to Hannen Swaffer, who in turn contacted Mr. Pritt.

4. I told Mr. Pritt at this stage that, on the facts as disclosed, in my opinion this was not a matter for my Department. It was purely a Police matter. I told him, therefore, that my Department could make no enquiry but that I could pass the story to the Police, if Mr. Pritt was prepared to disclose his informants. I indicated, however, that in my view, even assuming that the conspiracy alleged could be proved by legal evidence, no offence had been committed against the English criminal law; I said that that was the view I took but that I had a great respect for Mr. Pritt's legal ability and was open to be convinced. After consideration Mr. Pritt agreed that, on the facts as we now know them, no offence has been committed against the English law.

5. Mr. Pritt thought, however, that it might be that the gold, instead of being put on board at Amsterdam, might be put on board in this country, in which case a criminal offence - and a pretty serious one - would be committed. I agreed that, if the facts were found to be such, the matter would be an important one from the Police point of view.

It was agreed, therefore, that Mr. Pritt would check up on his sources and ascertain whether the workman at Oulton Broad yard would be prepared to act as a Police informant. If he was so prepared, Mr. Pritt would write me the full story and I would write to the Chief Constable of East Suffolk, passing him the story and giving him the name of the informant whom he could contact and from whom he could take a full statement. The informant could be asked by the

..... Police

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Police to keep an eye on the boat and to inform the Police if he had knowledge of any circumstances tending to show that the gold was being embarked before the boat left England. In such a case the Police could take their ordinary criminal action.

6. Mr. Pritt returned to the charge, however, and said that, even though no offence had so far been committed against the British law, there would seem to be a pretty serious offence against the Dutch law; he presumed that the British police had liaison with the Dutch police. I stated that no doubt the Assistant Commissioner had liaison with the Dutch police authorities and, when we learnt that the boat had left England, we could inform the Assistant Commissioner who could, if he thought fit, pass the information to the Dutch police through the ordinary international police channels.

7. Mr. Pritt raised the point as to whether the India Office should be informed. I said that I did not think my Department could raise the matter with the India Office but it was up to Mr. Pritt to decide whether he would do this himself. He said that he would think about it, but that he thought he would approach the India Office particularly as the transaction related to arms traffic.

I said that I thought the evidence on the arms traffic side was very weak, it consisting merely of an isolated statement made by Lewin to the workman at the yard, and I did not think that whatever enquiry was made would strengthen this suspicion in any way. I stated that I was doubtful in any event whether India wanted money to buy arms; I should have thought rather that money would have been sent from India to buy arms on the Continent. I doubted whether the information on this point was logically accurate.

8. Mr. Pritt then outlined to me his experiences of arms traffic. He said that he had defended in two cases in Palestine; the evidence clearly showed that there was a vast arms traffic going on from Egypt to Palestine, the traffic being carried out by Army deserters using Army trucks. His clients were convicted in court martials in Palestine and received life sentences.

9. The interview concluded by Mr. Pritt agreeing to write to me at Room 055 when he had made his further enquiries. The interview lasted approximately 1½ hours and was conducted in a very friendly spirit.

B. D. 4-46

B.A. HILL.

S.L.B.

15.8.47.

(FANE).
(BECKETT).
(THOMSON & SMITH).
(KENDALL).

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According to B.P.P. telephone checks, FANE has arranged with BECKETT for the latter to supply a quantity of paper to his - FANE's - publishers, THOMSON & SMITH. BECKETT is evidently unaware of FANE's connections and of the true identity of THOMSON & SMITH.

FANE's business is evidently CRANHAM TRAILERS, 7a Stafford Mansions, 34 South Molton Street. The telephone number is Mayfair 4148. Details of the company are in PF.Y.51390 (KENDALL).

B.I.Z.
50.6.47.

A. E. T. Magor.

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Cross-Reference for PF.51390 Kendall.

The "People's Car" factory at Grantham, formerly
in the hands of Mr. Denis KENDALL, M.P., has been allocated
by the Board of Trade to Mr. Frederick Sidney COTTON (PF.48121)

Daily Graphic, June 12th, 1947.
(cutting pa. in _____ Cotton).

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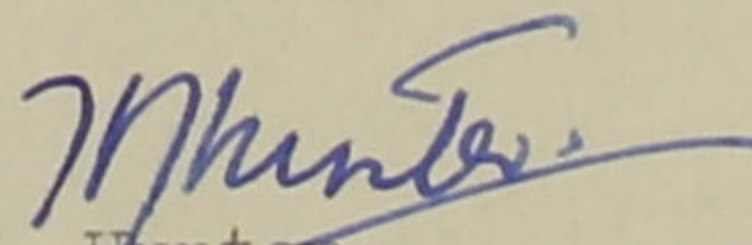
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B.1.Z. (Mr. A.E.T. Magor)
P.F. 47972.

31st May 1947.

With reference to your memorandum dated May 28th, please see the attached report giving the Somerset House particulars relating to GRANTHAM TRADERS LTD.

B.4.D.
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H. Hunter.

AEW/Pd2
4.7.47.

30th. May 1947.

Re:- GRANTHAM TRADERS LIMITED.

The above named private limited Company was registered on the 4th. January 1946 with a nominal capital of £1,000 divided into 1,000 ordinary shares of £1.

The objects of the Company are :-

To carry on in any part of the World all or any of the businesses of General merchants, agents and traders, importers and exporters, shippers, shipping and forwarding agents etc.

The original directors were :-

James Karl KENDALL. British.
"Deezweet" Harrowby Lane, Grantham, Lincs.
Director of Grantham Plastics Ltd.

William John BROWN, M.P. British.
26 Isokon, Lawn Road, N.W.3.
Director of Grantham Production Ltd.

Sheik Ali AHMED. British.
Room 23 Cricket Club of India, Bombay, India.
Director of Grantham Productions Ltd.
(Resigned 15th. February 1946)

On the 15th. February 1946 the following director was appointed:-

Abdul KARIM. British.
42 Brudenell Road, S.W.17.
(Resigned 13th. June 1946)

On the 13th. June 1946 the following director was appointed:-

William Charles MURRAY. British.
Corby, near Grantham, Lincs.
(Resigned 30th. September 1946)

The present directors are :-

James Karl KENDALL, particulars as above.

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Present directors continued...

William Denis KENDALL. British.
 "Brusa" Belton Lane, Grantham, Lincs.
 Appointed 15th. February 1946
 Director of Grantham Productions Ltd.

William John BROWN, M.P.
 Address as before.

Alexander Walter SLEATOR. British.
 67 Rue de Tocqueville, Paris.
 Appointed 12th. March 1946.
 Director of Grantham Productions Ltd.

Sir Robert PATTINSON. British.
 The Fosse House, Northgate, Lincoln.
 Appointed 13th. June 1946.
 Director of Grantham Productions Ltd.

Andrew ROBERTSON. British.
 "Elsandi" Dennis Lane, Stanmore.
 Appointed 13th. June 1946.
 Director of Grantham Productions Ltd.

Return of Allotments dated 15th.
 February 1946 :-

Thomas Power O'CONNER "Stockholme" New Beacon Road, Grantham, Lincs. Company Secretary.	Shares. 1
William George Taylor OUBRIDGE. "Sketewan" New Beacon Road, Grantham, Lincs. Accountant.	1
William Dennis KENDALL. Address as above.	748
James Karl KENDALL. Address as above.	250
Total...	<u>1,000.</u>

The registered offices of the
 Company are at No.19 London Road, Grantham, Lincs.

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 R.B.H.

Note

The P. & P.O. Stop List has been revised and
the name of **KENDALL William Denis** removed.
OVERY Thomas Stuart.

D.4.a.1.

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I.C. Boyd.

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OFFICER BEFORE USING**

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Note for PF.51390, Kendall.April, 1947.

Mr. W.D. KENDALL, M.P., has been negotiating the sale of Grantham Productions Ltd., at present in liquidation, to the Maharajah of NAWANAGAR in order that the "People's Car" may be brought into production and marketed in India. He has been assisted in these negotiations by Richard John Alexander HAMER (L.283/79), and the two flew ~~both~~ to India together bringing the Maharajah back to this country. HAMER is an ardent admirer of Sir Oswald MOSLEY and was detained under DR.18B. from 1940 to 1942; he had hoped to raise funds to finance MOSLEY's political movement from the "People's Car" deal, but the project came to nothing when the Maharajah withdrew from the negotiations at the eleventh hour.

Though failing here, HAMER has been successful in another direction and has secured an interest for Alexander RAVEN THOMSON (PF.46785) in KENDALL's Grantham printing works. RAVEN THOMSON, once Director of Policy in British Union, is still working with MOSLEY; he has formed a publishing company with Allan T. SMITH (PF.68016) to be called "THOMSON and SMITH", and besides a certain amount of legitimate commercial work will use the Grantham Press for printing political (i.e. Fascist) literature.

For full information on these two subjects see L.283/79, HAMER, and PF.46785, RAVEN THOMSON, April, 1947.
& PF.69993 THOMSON & SMITH.

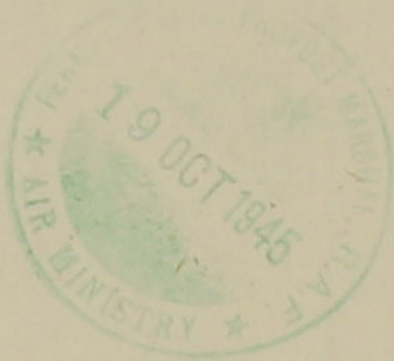
Copies in L.283/79, Hamer
PF.46785, Raven Thomson.

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15.5.47.

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PARTICULARS OF AN APPLICANT FOR THE
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UNDER THE DEFENCE REGULATIONS.

Serial No. **AI.3428/27008**
 FILE REFERENCE **BJR/305/**
PM5.

SURNAME **KENDALL** ^x

SURNAME AT BIRTH (if different) -----

CHRISTIAN NAMES (in full) **William Denis**

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH **27.5.1903. Halifax.**

HEIGHT

PRIVATE ADDRESS **Brusa, Belton Lane, Grantham.**

PROFESSION, OCCUPATION OR BUSINESS **Managing Director**

PRESENT NATIONALITY (by birth,
marriage or naturalisation) **British**

NATIONALITY AT BIRTH (if different) -----

FULL NAMES OF FATHER **Joe Willie Kendall**

FATHER'S NATIONALITY AT BIRTH **British**

MOTHER'S " " " "

WIFE'S " " " "

HUSBAND'S " " " "

NO SECURITY OBJECTION

REMARKS

Requires to wear Special Duties Uniform overseas



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See LU A. 137.

JP 24/10

EXTRACT from "THE TIMES" re GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS forGRANTHAM. - 27th JULY, 1945.

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Grantham

E. : 62,783 ; C., 58,160 ; B., 15 ; S., 4,608.

*Kendall, W. D. (Ind.)	27,719
Worth, Sqn. Ldr. G. A. (C.)	12,206
Bavin, T. S. (Lab.)	7,728

Ind. majority 15,513

NO CHANGE

1942 By-election :—Ind., 11,758 ; C., 11,391—Ind. maj., 367. 1935 :—C., 22,194 ; Lab., 16,009—C. maj. 6,185. (1931 :—C. maj., 15,049.)

Mr. W. D. Kendall, engineer, is chairman and managing director of British Manufacture and Research Co., Ltd. Was elected M.P. in 1942.

W.D.
28.9.45

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Ops.

Reference.....

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Please see the attached regarding leakage of information about the s.s. AQUITANIA.

A somewhat similar case was taken up by you with A.D.N.I. some time last year and the following appears in the minutes of the Shipping Security meeting held on the 10th May 1943:-

"Advance information of ships movements to Government Officials, etc.

With regard to two M.Ps who had obviously obtained information regarding arrival of ships so that they could meet their relatives and had in fact obtained permission to visit the docks, this had been taken up with A.D.N.I. through Ops., as a result of which the Bridges Panel had issued an order that no information about ship's movements are to be given to Ministers, Government Officials or members of Allied Governments, unless it was in the course of their duty to receive such information. Any exception to this order must be referred to the I.S.S.B." //

In view of the similarity of the present case, perhaps you will deal with A.D.N.I. on the matter.

D.4.b.

3. Dec. 1944

M.E. Morgan.

D.4.b. (Mr. Morgan).

Reference the attached papers, A.D.N.I. has now gone into the matter and I am informed that the Admiralty is satisfied that no leakage took place from the First Lord's office. They believe that the whole thing was a "bounce" on KENDALL's part and they applaud and endorse the action of the S.C.O.

Ops.

13.12.44.

Major S.G. Watts.

B.4.b.

In view of your minute No.97 in PF.51390, you will be interested to see from the attached papers that for once Mr. Kendall did not get his own way. You no doubt will wish to pass this.

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19.12.44.

M.E. Morgan.

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15th December 1944.

To: S.C.O. Glasgow.

From: Colonel J.H. Adam, C.I.E., O.B.E.

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Ref LV
D4BMr. KENDALL, M.P.

Please refer to your letter of the
27th November 1944 under reference
O/122/11/MON/AQ regarding Mr. KENDALL, M.P.
and his apparent pre-knowledge that he
was to travel in the Aquitania.

The matter has been investigated and
the Admiralty is satisfied that no leakage
of information took place from the First
Lord's Office. They express the opinion
that the whole thing was merely bounce
on Kendall's part and they state that they
"applaud and endorse" the action you took.

William Dennis Kendall -
B 27.5.03 - Bruce Bellin Lane
Granston -

M.E. Morgan

for J.H. Adam, Colonel.

for J.H. Adam, Colonel.

MEM/JMF.

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CONFIDENTIAL

Security Control Office,
7, Buchanan Street,
GLASGOW, C.1.

Our ref:
O/122/11/MON/AQ.

27th November, 1944.

To : Colonel J.H. Adam, C.I.E., O.B.E., Box 500, G.P.O.,
O X F O R D.
From : Major E.G. Langford, Security Control Officer, CLYDE
AREA PORTS.

On the 23rd. of November I was asked by Cmdr. LAUDER, P.I.O., GREENOCK, whether it would be possible for Mr. KENDALL, M.P., who was due to embark on the "AQUITANIA", to take his Secretary and Fiancee out to the ship to see him off.

I was informed that this request had come from the Office of the First Lord to the Admiralty, but as there appeared to be no reason for making exceptions in this case I replied that the request could not be granted.

On the 25th of November I was again approached by the P.I.O., who stated that the Secretary to the First Lord had personally requested F.O.I.C., GREENOCK, to allow these two ladies to go out with Mr. KENDALL to the ship. I therefore, 'phoned your Office for instructions, and was later informed - MAGOR/STEWART, speaking - that the ladies were not to be allowed out to the ship, and that Mr. KENDALL was to be politely asked from what source he obtained his information as to the ship on which he was going to embark.

This instruction was carried out when Mr. KENDALL embarked on SUNDAY, 26th of November. His explanation was that when in London he had been ordered to report for embarkation to the S.T.O. at Princes Pier, GREENOCK, and that this was, of course, known to his Secretary and Fiancee whom he brought up to Glasgow two days prior to the date of embarkation. The party stayed at the Central Hotel where KENDALL alleges he found out the name of the ship on which he was going was the "AQUITANIA" - this information, according to him, being well known to the majority of the residents of the hotel.

The fact that the "AQUITANIA" was in the Clyde would probably be known to many people in the Central Hotel, and it is quite possible that what Mr. KENDALL says is true, but in view of the nature of the previous messages which I received from P.I.O., GREENOCK, I have reason to believe that Mr. KENDALL did, in fact, learn the name of the ship at the First Lord's Office.



Major.
S.C.O., CLYDE AREA PORTS.

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D4B as you requested
ADNI are interested
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REQUEST FOR LOOK-UP.

REGISTRY. Please look-up undermentioned. *Attach further papers.

If NT is registration number required?.....

Section D.4.b. Signature L. Hicks. Date 18/12.

* Delete if inapplicable.

Name KENDALL, William Dennis.

Address Brusa, Belter Lane, Grantham.

Further born 27.5.03. M.P. for Grantham and Cleethorpes.

Particulars

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— William Dennis

— Dennis.

PF 513 90 KENDALL/BRI: MANUFACTURING & RESEARCH Co.,

Room 055 have papers.

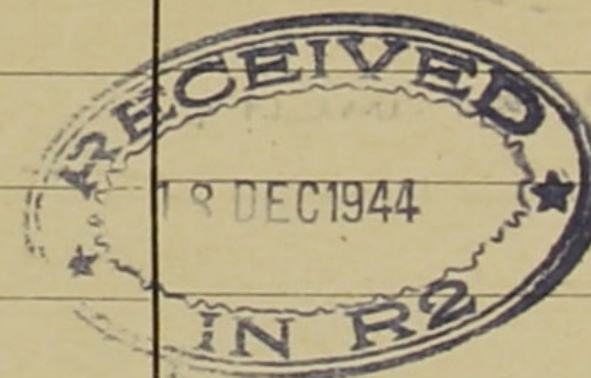
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Extract from D.4.C. Daily Summary. 25 Nov 44

Request to visit Monster in Clyde.

S.C.O. GLASGOW telephoned to say that an M.P. Kendall had asked FOIC for permission for his secretary and fiancée to visit him on board. FOIC refused. Later a secretary of ~~the Minister~~, First ~~Secy~~ Lord, tried further to press the charge.

FOIC consulted SCO, who referred the question to us. We in turn informed ADNI and said that we felt compelled to advise their refusal. ADNI told us shortly after that they agreed, and suggested that, if possible, SCO should find out how the proposed visitors knew the ship was sailing from the Clyde and if they were aware of the ship's name. SCO was informed accordingly.

TELEPHONE CALL RECEIVED FROM PASSPORT AND PERMIT OFFICE

(Mr. Luhc) IN RESPECT OF EXIT PERMIT.

D4a. /

Date 13/9/44 USA

1. Passport No.....

Date and Place of Issue.....

2. Name (in full) Surname in block capitals KENDALLWilliam Dennis MP3. Nationality British

If acquired by naturalisation or marriage, state nationality of origin.....

4. Place and Date of Birth 27/5/03

5. If Married Woman give Maiden Name.....

6. Home Address (in full).....

NO OBJECTION
provided DOT
support
15/1/447. Occupation Chairman

Place of Employment.....

Name and Address of Employer British Manufacturing+ Research Co Ltd

8. Address abroad to which Applicant is proceeding.....

U.S.A9. State fully object of Journey To consult & arrangefor change over from armament to
peacetime production

10. Special Remarks.....

not obtained DOT support as yet ✓

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FROM THE OFFICE OF
W. DENIS KENDALL, M.I.Mech.E., M.I.A.E., M.I.P.E., M.P.
PRIVATE ADDRESS:
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Robert J. Scrutton Esq.,
Founder-President,
The People's Common Law Parliament,
5, Endsleigh Place,
Gordon Square,
LONDON.W.C.1
Dear Mr. Scrutton,
In reply to the note which you
sent to me at the House of Commons, I
shall be at the House next Tuesday
afternoon, the 25th inst., and could
see you at 2.30.p.m if you can manage
this.
Yours sincerely,
W. Denis Kendall.

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G. Austin HOPKINS(?ON) M.P. and I am seeing KENDALL.

S. I dont know anything about him.

G. KENDALL?

S. Um, Lord KENDALL.

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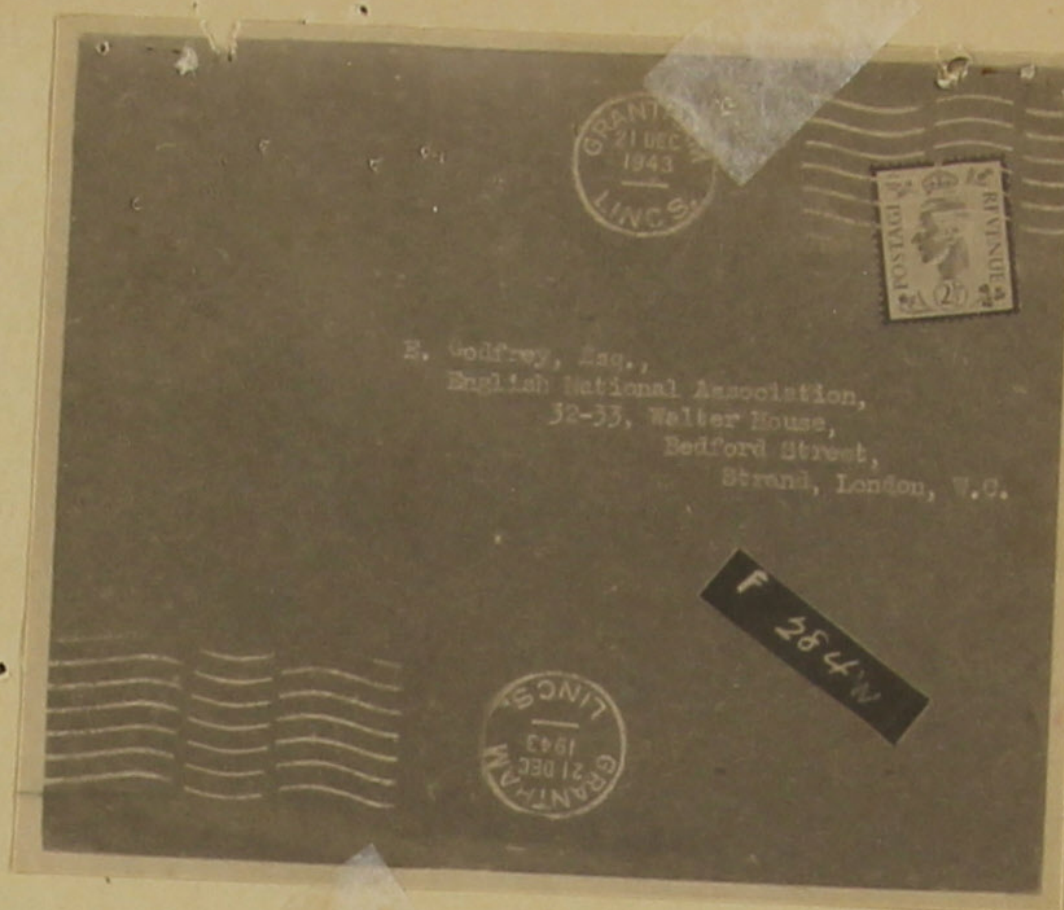
G. No Denis KENDALL, the independent M.P. for Grantham.

S. Oh yes - Denis KENDALL. Tell me, any other news
at your end?

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FROM THE OFFICE OF
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20th December, 1943.

E. Godfrey, Esq.,
English National Association,
32-33, Walter House,
Bedford Street,
Strand,
London, W.C.

Dear Mr. Godfrey,

Many thanks for your note of the 17th instant and your kind invitation to have lunch with you when next I am in London to talk over your experiences at Acton.

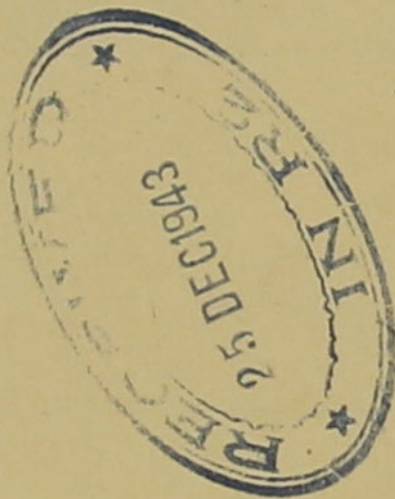
I am sorry to say that I do not anticipate being down in London again until some time after the middle of January, so perhaps you will contact me at the House of Commons when the next Session opens, and then we can arrange a mutual date.

Yours sincerely,

W. Denis Kendall

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Major G.A. Glover,
Box No. 500,
BIRMINGHAM.

I attach a copy of an intercept
which has been caught on the Robert
WILKINSON H.O.W. W. Denis KENDALL seems
to take a great interest in his Fascist
constituents.

PMB

P.M. Burke.

14th November 1943.

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PMB/JEB.

✓ JTH C
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Copy of letter addressed to R. WILKINSON, Esq., 57 South Park, Lincoln.

from W. Denis KENDALL, M.I. Mech. E., M.I.A.E., M.I.P.E., M.P.

Springfield Road, Grantham, Lincolnshire, dated 8 Nov. 1943

Postmark: Grantham 11.30.am. 9 Nov. 1943.

Dear Mr Wilkinson,

Just a note to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter of the 4th instant giving me the details I required on your brother.

All that remains to be done now is for your or your brother to let me know as soon as the decision of the military authorities is received on his application for release. I feel pretty certain that this will be rejected on its first presentation and if this is so, it will then be the appropriate time for me to enter into the argument and you may rest assured that I shall do my very best.

(Sgd) Denis Kendall.

JTC
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